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Belts At a Price.

To clear out our stock of Belts, to make room for our fall goods, which are now arriving, for the next week we will sell for much less than cost.

Fine Sterling Silver Mounted Leather Jubilee Belts, Good Silk and Cloth Belts, Sterling Silver Buckles, Good White Metal, etc., at prices from 25c. to \$1.

Challoner, Mitchell & Co. JEWELLERS. 47 GOVERNMENT STREET.

AUGMENTS MUCH

Means a great deal where you do your hot weather shopping. We invite inspection of following lines. Buying is made interesting for you here these days. May profit you to come in. We want all room possible for new goods.

Pretty Summer Blouses, 25c. Good Kid Gloves, fancy backs, \$1. White Cambric Skirts, 25c. Pretty Dress Muslins, 8c. Summer Corsets, 50c. pair. Wide Summer Suitings at 15c. Fabric Glove, White, Cream and Tans, 25c. Feder's Brush Skirt Protector, 5c. Folding Pocket Fans, 20c.

THE WESTSIDE.

J. HUCHESON & CO.

He Has Klondycitis.



WE CAN FIT HIM OUT.

The hot wave has struck us and we are trying to keep cool. With rich quartz strikes on the island, most all cans full of the yellow metal to the Yukon and the big clean-ups in our bargains, it is 90 in the shade.

Lime Juice, 25c. Ontario Cider, 20c. Root Beer, 10c. St. Louis Lager, 4 pts., 25c. Local Beer, 4 qts., 50c. Kops Cheer, 2 for 25c.

Klondyke Supplies a Specialty.

DIXIE H. ROSS & CO.

STEARNS BICYCLES

BELOW COST

FOR THE NEXT THIRTY DAYS

We will sell our stock of NEW BICYCLES BELOW COST PRICE FOR CASH, to clear. Now is your chance to get a good Bicycle cheap. We have also a number of SECOND-HAND BICYCLES which we will sell at very low price.

MEN'S, LADIES', CHILDREN'S AND TANDEM.

JOHN BARNESLEY & CO.,

CORNER JOHNSON AND GOVERNMENT STS.

Agents for Stearns, Victor, Remington and Waverley Bicycles.

WEILER BROS.

51 TO 55 FORT STREET VICTORIA, B.C.

All kinds of Enamel Cups, Saucers, Plates, Mugs, &c. All kinds of Indestructible Cooking Utensils. All kinds of Knives, Forks, Spoons, &c.

AT WEILER BROS.

Our prices are right. You will pay big price. Dawson City. These goods do not weigh much.

THE CHARIOT RACE OF BEN-HUR.

The race was on—The souls of the racers were in it—Over them bent myriads. When the race was won, the victors retired to their tents and drank.

TAMILKANDE

It Surprised Them.

TEA

Play Surprise You.

SIMON LEISER & CO., WHOLESALE AGENTS.

Speaks for Itself.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

WANTED—A good girl for general housework. Apply Mrs. Drury, 294 Fort Street. aug-7-11

TO LET—Rooms for light housekeeping. Apply 90 Quadra street. aug-7-11

FOUND—A salmon net, No. 656. Owner can have same by paying expenses and salvage. Apply North Saanich Hotel. aug-7-11

LOST—A sable and white collie, answering to name of "Roy." Finder will receive reward by returning same to 13 Langley street. Anyone harboring same after this notice will be prosecuted. aug-7-11

WANTED—A lady or gentleman to invest some capital in a bona fide business; mutual interest, also interest on investment. Address X, Times office. aug-7-11

SALMON FISHING has commenced. A splendid assortment of spoon-baits and lines supplied direct from England at Henry Short & Sons, 72 Douglas street. aug-7-11

COAL AND WOOD—We are the only yard in the city who sell Double Screened Coal. Try it. We can please you in quality and price. Wood—we have No. 1 Wood that will give satisfaction. We guarantee weight and measure. G. Galloway & Co. Telephone No. 407. j31-11

MELLOR'S bath tub enamel is the only reliable enamel for baths; new designs in wall papers. Mellor, Fort street, above Douglas. aug-7-11

MISSING—Vol. 62. Law Times Reports, N. S. Possibly removed in mistake for Vol. 59 of which I find duplicates on my shelves. Chief Justice. aug-7-11

VICTORIA WOOD AND COAL YARD, cor. Government and Discovery. All kinds of wood and coal. Delivery free. Your order solicited. Telephone No. 140. A. C. Howe. j31-11

LINSEED OIL—Guaranteed pure English oil, at 65c. per gallon, in 4 gallon lots; pure lead, 85c. per 100 lbs. No. 1 Elephant, 85c. per 100 lbs. J. W. Mellor, Fort St. aug-7-11

JUST RECEIVED ANOTHER shipment of Wright & Dutton's Tennis goods, at J. Barnesley's & Co., 119 Government St. Have you seen the fisherman's sun hat? aug-7-11

\$5.00—No. 1 double screened household coal, per ton of 2,000 pounds, delivered to your door at lowest current rates. Also part of the city. Hall, Gospel & Co., 100 Government street. Telephone call No. 83. aug-7-11

TO BUILDERS—Doors and sashes at best rock prices. J. W. Mellor, Fort St. j31-11

RUTHVEN WILL LECTURE

Rev. V. M. Ruthven, ex-priest of Rome, lectures to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock in A. O. U. W. Hall, to ladies and gentlemen.

NOTICE

is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the city of Victoria, at its next session, for a transfer of the license issued to A. Bechtel, upon the premises known as the California Hotel, situate on Johnson street, in the city of Victoria, to Walter Martin. A. BECHTEL. 7th August, 1897. 7849-101

NOTICE

Public Meeting.

A public meeting will be held in the Council Chamber, City Hall, on Wednesday next, the 11th inst., at 8 p.m., to take into consideration the recent Order-in-Council of the Dominion Government respecting royalties on minerals and the reservation of mineral claims in the Yukon District. The chair will be taken at 8 o'clock.

CHAS. E. REDFERN, Mayor.

Victoria, B.C., Aug. 7th, 1897. aug-7-11

SAUCTIONS

Hardware, Iron and Agricultural Implements

MARVIN & TILTON'S EXTENSIVE STOCK.

TUESDAY, AUG. 10, AT 10:30 A.M.

I have been instructed by the above firm to close out the stock of their valuable and well assorted stock in trade at their store, Wharf and Bastion streets, Victoria, consisting of a large assortment of Shell and Heavy Hardware, Nails, Iron, Steel, Chains, Cordage, Agricultural Implements, and extras for Ploughs, Toronto, Champion, Buckeye, and other Harvesting Machines; Builders', Contractors', Plumbers' and Joiners' supplies; Office Furniture, etc., etc.

The Auctioneer would call special attention to this great and peremptory sale, as the firm has decided to close out their business. It would not be in the interest of an ordinary advertisement to communicate the large stock that will be sold without reserve.

Inspection of stock is invited. Premises open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. aug-7-11

GEORGE BYRNES, Auctioneer.

OLD WORLD AFFAIRS

The Possible Participation of Great Britain in the Proposed Bimetallic Congress.

Large Expenditure on a Graving Dock at Simonstown—U. S. Consul at Apia Unpopular.

London, Aug. 7.—In reply to Senator Wolcott respecting the participation of Great Britain in the proposed bimetallic congress, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach said: "It is due, both to the importance of the subject and the manner in which it has been brought before the English ministry by representatives of the two countries, that the proposal should be very carefully examined and considered; and this process may become somewhat prolonged, owing to the time necessarily occupied in communicating with the government of India." The chancellor of the exchequer adds that he cannot say with certainty how long these communications will take, but he hopes the cabinet will be ready to meet the envoys again early in October. While this postponement of England's decision delays the work, the American envoys do not consider it discouraging. On the contrary, they think that Great Britain's interest in the question justifies them in expecting that the Indian mints will be opened. They believe that the Times, in opposing the re-opening of the Indian mints, does not represent the government, but rather city financial circles, which are opposed to any change. The report made to the government upon the mint is understood to be favorable to silver. The headquarters of the commission will remain in London until October. Senator Wolcott may visit Australia in the meantime and pave the way for negotiations with the Australian government. The commissioners do not wish to approach other governments until England's attitude is settled, as her participation in the movement, if secured, will aid in eliciting others. After receiving the English reply, they will go to Australia, Germany and Russia in that order.

A dispatch to the Times from Cape Town says that the imperial government intends to build a harbor and graving dock at Simonstown, at a cost of £2,500,000. Simonstown is a town in Cape Colony, at Simon's Bay, an inlet on the west coast, near False Bay, about 25 miles south of Cape Town, with which it is communicated by a good road. It is a newly built at the foot of Cape mountain, and has a naval arsenal. It is the port to which ships resort for repairs.

A dispatch to the Times from Berlin says: "The Colonial Journal here brands the new American consul at Apia an unscrupulous man, who considers any means justifiable to reach an end. Such statements are not uncommon, and might be ignored, but this one may be used as a basis for demanding the government to deal with Samoa, as the United States has with Hawaii, as the only possible means of protecting Germany's interests."

A dispatch from Brussels says that the government's acceptance of Major Lothaire's resignation of his commission in the army has been officially announced. Lothaire, when an officer on duty in the Congo Free State, was charged with ordering the expulsion of Mr. Charles Stokes, a British trader and missionary, charged with furnishing arms and ammunition to Arab slave traders.

The Vienna correspondent of the Daily Chronicle says he learns by special dispatches from Warsaw that the Russian government intends to prohibit the export of grain this year, owing to the expected low harvest.

A dispatch to the Daily News from Tiflis, North Persia, capital of the province of Azerbaijan, says that serious trouble has broken out on the Turkish-Persian frontier, and that both governments have despatched troops and guns to the scene of the difficulty.

SIR DONALD'S TITLE.

Objections To Him Taking the Title of Lord Glenoe.

London, Aug. 7.—Though other Jubilee peenages have been gazetted, that of Sir Donald Smith, the Canadian high commissioner, hangs fire. He desires to assume the title of Lord Glenoe, but it is understood that his intention has caused lively indignation among the Macdonalds, who were the owners of Glenoe centuries before Sir Donald bought the property. These objections, and those of the Argylls, are causing Sir Donald to reconsider the matter.

SILVER MINES CLOSED.

Can't Be Worked at Present Price of the White Metal.

Park City, Utah, Aug. 7.—Superintendent Chambers of the Ontario and Daly mines, has received a telegram from New York ordering him to close down both mines at once, owing to the recent decline in silver. These are two of the largest silver mines in the state and give employment to about 700 men. It is claimed that these mines cannot be worked with profit at the present price of silver.

DISTINGUISHED TRAVELLERS.

Marquis Ito and Lord Kelvin Now En Route to America.

Liverpool, Aug. 7.—Marquis Ito, ex-president of the Japanese council of ministers, and Lord Kelvin, the inventor, who will attend the annual session of the British Association for the Advancement of Science, at Toronto, Ont., sailed to-day for New York on the Campania.

NEW REGULATIONS

Dominion Government Decide to Appoint an Administrator to Yukon District.

Civil Courts To Be Constituted—The Size of Claims Will Be Reduced.

Ottawa, Aug. 7.—The government have decided to appoint an administrator for the Yukon country, to increase the number of police by 15, making 115 in all, and to send two Maxim guns with them. The name of Major Walsh is favorably suggested as the best man for the chief executive officer out there. It was also decided to constitute a court for administering civil justice, to be presided over by Justice McGuire of Prince Albert, who at Hon. Mr. Sifton's request has consented to go out there. Hon. Henry Aylmer, of Sherbrook, Que., has been appointed registrar and a registration district will be constituted. An important change in the regulations has been made. The size of the claims is being reduced from 500 feet to 100 feet. Thirty-five more police sail next Saturday from Victoria. It was originally intended that only twenty should go on that day.

WELCOME LAURIER

Montrealers Preparing Grand Demonstration in Honor of Return of Canada's Premier.

Possibility of a Judge Being Appointed to Administer Affairs in the Yukon District.

Montreal, Aug. 7.—The reception to Sir Wilfrid Laurier upon his return from his European visit will, it is expected, be on quite a grand scale. The suggestion finds favor in many quarters, and the reception will partake of the nature of a "Laurier day" on his arrival in Montreal. The exposition will be in full swing when Sir Wilfrid Laurier is expected to arrive. The exhibition company's grounds are large enough to accommodate the crowd that will wish to do honor to the premier. A banquet will be given him by the board of trade in the evening.

Ottawa, Aug. 7.—It is said that arrangements will be made for the administration of civil law by transferring one of the judges in the Northwest Territories to the Yukon district. It is impossible to appoint a new judge without the authority of parliament, but as the northwest judges have jurisdiction in the Yukon, the case may be met temporarily by having one of the judges go to the Klondyke.

Toronto, Aug. 7.—The Canadian Pacific railway company are making active preparations to handle the vast grain crop they carry from the northwest. Rolling stock is being rushed out of the shops as rapidly as possible, and grain elevators are being got ready. The new grain elevator at Owen Sound, at present building, will be completed in October. The roof is now on. The capacity is 800,000 bushels. The Canadian Pacific will have facilities at Owen Sound to handle 1,500,000 bushels. At present it is taxing their resources to handle the great traffic which is general all along the line. The train crews are the largest in five years. New cars are being turned out at the Perth shops daily.

Winnipeg, Aug. 7.—Some excitement has been caused by the discovery that five of Winnipeg's streets, recently paved, have a ton dressing of gold-bearing quartz. Mr. Henry, mining expert, and brother, made the discovery. The rock is from Keweenaw. Samples will be exhibited at the Toronto and Montreal fairs. Parties have gone to the quarry, and assays will be announced.

Farmers say the harvest excursions from the east this year, starting on the 17th, will be too late. Wheat cutting has already started in many parts of the province.

MR. FOSTER RETURNS.

The United States Sealing Commissioner Back From Europe.

New York, Aug. 7.—Mr. Foster, the commissioner sent by President McKinley to England to confer with Lord Salisbury relative to the sealing matter, and if possible obtain a re-opening of the seal question, arrived in this city last night. Mr. Foster peremptorily declined to be interviewed. Notwithstanding reports that the conference in the autumn of Great Britain, Japan and Russia at Washington will be one of nature to compare biological notes, and that all reference to existing regulations are expressly barred from discussion, a passenger on board the St. Louis said that Mr. Foster had told him he had an expectation of re-opening the whole question in the fall, and that he had satisfactory assurances from Lord Salisbury to that effect. Mr. Foster was seen and asked about the statement attributed to him, but he refused to affirm or deny it.

SILVER GOES LOWER

A Still Further Decline in the White Metal—Lowest Price in Years.

A Dollar Now Worth Less Than Forty Four Cents in Gold—Demoralization Everywhere.

New York, Aug. 6.—Cable dispatches from London report a further weakness in the silver market there. The local market was sympathetically affected, with quotations declining to new low record figures.

The best advices from London report the price of bar silver there as approximately 25 1/2 pence an ounce. The parity of the commercial bar silver on the basis of this quotation was 55 1/2 cents an ounce, but owing to the existence of a moderate short interest in the market, which was covering at the decline, the rate for actual business here was about 55 1/2 cents.

Nominally government assay bars were quoted at 55 1/2 cents an ounce, which made the value of the silver in a standard silver dollar 43.21 cents. The buying prices of bullion dealers for Mexican dollars was 42 1/2 cents each, and for Peruvian soles and Chilean pesos 38 1/2 cents.

The weakness of the silver market is having a very disturbing effect upon exchange operations, with countries that are on a silver basis. In Mexico gold has advanced to an exceedingly high premium.

An indication of the demoralized condition of the silver market in London is afforded by the difficulty that local bullion dealers had to obtain quotations from abroad. A cable dispatch received by one firm reads:

"No market. Name price at which you will sell."

The decline in silver is also having a very disturbing effect upon the holders of silver mining securities. Some of the western silver mines are reported to be operating at an actual loss on the basis of present quotations, and it is expected they will be forced to shut down.

London dispatches ascribe the great weakness in silver to liquidation by many holders in the metal. No such decline has been witnessed since June, 1893. The Indian mints were closed to a free silver coinage on June 26 of that year. On the news silver bullion fell in London from 37 1/2 pence an ounce to a price below 30 pence, but it rallied sharply later.

A cable from London says: "The details of the gold movement of the week are about \$54,000 imported from Australia, \$30,000 from the Cape, and \$15,000 from China."

In addition to the \$50,000 already dispatched from Sydney to San Francisco, further large shipments are being arranged. The demand of China for silver has practically ceased entirely. Exchange in Shanghai has fallen to a point less than 3 per cent, below the silver import point, and yet the Chinese will not take silver. India is still in the market for silver in gradually decreasing amounts, but there the mints are closed.

OIL AS LOCOMOTIVE FUEL

Tests Made by the Wabash Railway at Springfield Only Partly Satisfactory.

Springfield, Ill., Aug. 5.—No definite conclusions have yet been reached as to the success of the tests being made by the Wabash railway in the use of crude oil as fuel, and it is not yet certain that oil will furnish sufficient steam power to handle the heavy freight trains over that road.

An engine equipped with the necessary apparatus made a trip to Hannibal yesterday, but the result was not satisfactory. The experiments will be continued, however, and better results are hoped for when they have progressed farther.

The use of crude oil as a fuel on locomotives is new in this section of the country. It has been used for several years past on California railroads, and the results have been exceedingly gratifying. On the California Southern railroad fifty engines are being fed with the crude oil, with good results.

The oil is much cheaper than coal, and it furnishes a brighter fire. It is used just as it is taken from the ground, in the crude condition it is thick and of a very black color. It is carried in a tank, just the same as coal is now carried. A valve extends from the tank to the firebox, and there is a contrivance for regulating the supply to the firebox. In this manner the liquid is distributed through all parts of the firebox. The firebox is built like a furnace, being bricked up on all sides. The use of oil would save much labor to the firemen.

KEEP CLOSE WATCH.

Look to It That You Are Well Guarded Against That Stealthy Enemy, Kidney Disease—South American Kidney Cure Is the Only Remedy Which Will Relieve at Once and Cures.

Michael McMullin, of Chesley, writes: "I had been troubled with gravel and kidney disease for eight years. At times the pain was so severe that I could not lie in one position for any length of time. I took South American Kidney Cure according to directions. I got immediate relief. The soreness and weakness all left. I can testify to the remedy being a wonderful cure." This steady enemy will not quit you by using all doses. It must be a kidney specific—a liquid that will dissolve all the hard substances and carry them off through nature's channel. South American does it. It is a liquid and never fails to cure.

Sold by Dean & Hiscocks and Hall & Co.

All cases of weak or lame back, backache, rheumatism, will find relief by wearing one of our smart and beautiful Backache Fasteners. Price 25 cents. Try them.

TIT FOR TAT.

American Laborers Can't Work on the Crow's Nest Pass Railway.

Toronto, Ont., Aug. 6.—Canada has begun to take means to enforce the alien labor law against Americans. Commissioner McCready is here on business in connection with work on the Crow's Nest Pass railway through the Rocky mountains and he informed the Canadian Pacific railway authorities that any American laborers engaged for that work would be deported to their own country again. McCready has instructions from the Canadian government to strictly enforce the new law.

DEBS DENOUNCES A JUDGE.

Says Free Speech Is Effectually Suppressed—Trouble of Strikers.

Pittsburg, Aug. 6.—Eugene V. Debs left today for Turtle Creek, where he speaks this evening. Before leaving the city Debs denounced Judge Jackson, of West Virginia, for issuing an injunction restraining him from interfering with the Monacaugh company or its employees. Debs said:

"This injunction annihilates the right of peaceable assemblage and effectually suppresses free speech." The wives of twenty of the campers are in the field now. They have access to workmen's houses, but deputies are stationed along the property line with instructions not to let a solitary man enter the mine. Whether or not the strike will be able to get the Plum Creek men to close the mine is a more serious question than the strike leaders first thought, for, unlike other districts, the settlers of Plum Creek live in the company's houses on the company's land. Workmen do not have to leave the Debs property to go into the mines, and the strikers get no chance to stop them on the road.

MUCH MARRIED.

Bizany Charged Against a Chicago Man—Said to Have Seven Wives.

Chicago, Aug. 6.—A warrant charging bizany has been served on David Ellsworth Bates in his cell at the police station. It was sworn out by James L. McCarthy, who said he was the father of Mrs. Bates No. 3.

The police say Mr. Bates married at least seven women, all of whom are living and only one of them divorced. This makes the lean and sallow-faced little bookkeeper a polygamist extraordinary. The following women have so far filed with the police their claims to Bates as husband:

Mrs. Bates, formerly Miss Julia McCarthy, married in Chicago three years ago, recognized by the prisoner as his true wife, and dwelling at 840 West Sixty-first street.

Mrs. Bates, formerly Miss Nettie Swaim, married February 25, 1897, in Chicago, and residing at 6402 Bishop street.

Mrs. Bates, formerly Miss Anna E. Herbert, Plainville, Mich., a sister of his brother's wife, married September 11, 1889, and now in Michigan.

Mrs. Bates, formerly Miss Nellie Howard, of Kalamazoo, Mich., married in 1885 and divorced two years later.

Mrs. Bates, formerly Miss Ida Caldwell, of Galena, Ill., who dwelt at 5401 Dearborn street, where she gave birth to a baby. Her home is not known to the police.

Mrs. Bates, whose identity is a mystery, but known to have dwelt at Forty-third and Wallace streets, where a child was born.

A Wisconsin sheriff says Bates is really Austin O. Croven, who is under indictment at Waupun, Wis., for the abduction of pretty 15-year-old Olive Vossburg some months ago. Her photograph was found in his coat. It is suggested by the police that this girl may have been his wife.

CANADIAN NEWS.

Mayor Fleming's Appointment—Allen Labor—The Grant Drowning.

Toronto, Aug. 6.—The council sat this morning until 2 o'clock. After the day had been decided to offer the assessment commission to Mayor Fleming at \$4,000 yearly, Mr. Fleming was notified. He came in at the same time expressing gratification at the pleasant relations that had existed between him and the council. His resignation was accepted, and the ex-mayor duly appointed commissioner by resolution. Ald. John Shaw was then elected to fill the mayor's chair for the balance of the year.

Winnipeg, Aug. 6.—Immigration Commissioner McGready leaves to-morrow for Lethbridge and MacLeod, to arrange for the enforcement of the alien labor law. En route he will confer with Commissioner Herchmer, of the mounted police, as to the utilization of members of that force.

A meeting of the city ministers and other city officials was held to-day to protest against Sunday excursions on the Red river. Last Sunday an excursion was given on the steamer Assiniboine and was largely patronized, and another is announced for next Sunday. To-night the ministers decided upon the formation of a Lord's day alliance against Sunday steamboat excursions.

A Fort William dispatch says that search is still going on for the body of Rev. Mr. Grant, drowned in the Negligence river.

Charles Gillett, a Thornhill farmer, was caught before a mower yesterday and badly mangled, but may recover.

Chatham, Aug. 6.—A disastrous fire took place at Baine siding to-day. George Crows losing his buildings and 150 tons of hay.

What causes bad dreams is a question that has never been satisfactorily answered, but, in nine cases out of ten, frightful dreams are the result of imperfect digestion, which a few doses of Ayer's Sarsaparilla will effectually remedy. Don't delay—try it to-day.

—Good, heavy gray blankets for Arctic weather on the Clondyke and other Canadian gold fields. Weller Bros., 51-53 Fort St.

SPRINKLING WITH OIL.

Novel Way of Laying the Dust Along Railway Tracks.

Mays Landing, N.J., Aug. 6.—The recent discovery of Chief Engineer J. H. Nichols, of the West Jersey & Seashore railway, that crude oil applied to the ground along railway tracks would effectually lay the dust far better than thorough tests to work far better than was at first expected. Both lines of the track leading from Camden to Atlantic City are being thoroughly saturated for a distance of six feet on both sides of the track.

The oil is applied on much the same plan as the streets are sprinkled. A water and recently an oil train with sprinkling apparatus attached sprinkled more than twenty miles. The work will be completed in a few days. One sprinkling a year at a cost of \$80 per mile, it is claimed, will lay the dust effectually, but two applications may have to be made. The Pennsylvania system is to be sprinkled with oil as rapidly as possible.

To improve and thicken the growth of the hair and restore its natural color, Hall's Hair Renewer should be applied, and no other. Recommended by physicians.

THE CLONDYKE CRAZE.

Rush From California—Hundreds Going From Hawaii.

Stockton, Cal., Aug. 6.—The rush to the Clondyke gold fields is affecting the mining owners of the Mother Lode, in the vicinity of Sonora, Jackson and Sutter creeks, and if it continues will cause the closing down of the mines in Calaveras, Amador and Tuolumne counties, or their operation with depleted forces.

In the past week 200 men have left Amador county alone for the gold fields in the north, and others are preparing to follow. Some of them were hired by mine owners in Alaska, but many of them went on their own resources. The other counties have also sent expert miners in large numbers.

New York, Aug. 6.—A half dozen ambitious Brooklynites are organizing an expedition to Alaska to search for some of the Clondyke gold. David P. Watkins, of Brooklyn, clerk of the Republican general committee, is making up a party, of which he will be one, and which will leave early in February to seek fortunes in the gold fields of the north.

Port Townsend, Aug. 6.—A letter received here today from a prominent merchant in Honolulu says twenty-five men will leave there for this place, en route to the Clondyke gold fields, on the first ship leaving for Puget Sound, and from 200 to 500 men await their intention of going to Alaska in the spring. A letter, which bears date of July 10th, says the news of the unusually rich finds of gold in Alaska created great excitement among American residents.

Montreal, Aug. 6.—About 50 Montrealers have secured passage on the steamer Islander, which sails from Victoria on the 25th for the Clondyke, and will leave here on Monday by the C. P. R. The choice of men for the expedition which the Canadian Yukon Company, Ltd., is sending into the Clondyke has been completed, the following being the list: Genest, C.E., D.L.S., engineer, in charge; Sylvester J. Desnoy, Major A. Dorel, John Dorel, Emilie Larin, Jas. McMillen, Duncan McDonald, Prosper Bellier.

A second contingent will be the representatives of the London Gold and Silver Development Company, Limited, of which W. J. McGuire is the principal representative. An expert miner has been engaged to supervise the operations of the party, which will go out fully equipped for any kind of expedition.

A message has been received, so that there will be no delay.

Another party will be representative of a syndicate organized by W. H. Scroggie, a dry goods man, of St. Catharines, Ont., and his employees.

A CITY MAN'S WAIL.

There Are Thousands Like Him in Canada.

"To be candid and truthful, I am miserable, used up, nervous, and can't sleep these days; I feel as if life was not worth living. I have tried country air, and have strictly followed my doctor's advice, yet here I am, fast wearing away."

"This confession, made by a resident of one of our largest Canadian cities, truly represents the condition of thousands of men and women, old and young, at this time of the year."

It is almost certain that such weakly and broken down men and women have not yet heard the joyful news that Paine's Celery Compound is the great life renewer and builder, the medicine that makes the weak strong, that gives vim and true activity to the languid, and dependent, that makes the blood pure and red, that gives digestive vigor and sweet, refreshing sleep.

Are you, dear reader, among the afflicted ones? Are you pining in misery if so, let us point you to the only medicine that can meet your case without a fear of failure. It is Paine's Celery Compound, nature's own tonic, for the tired and worn out body and unstrung nerves. The virtues of this medicine strike right at the seat of the trouble, quickly bringing health and happiness. It has a marvellous record of cures, a fast and enduring fame, won by reason and life saving. Will you test its efficacy? You must if you desire health and robustness as well as extended years.

Ask your grocer for

Windsor Salt

For Table and Dairy, Purest and Best

They All Come Back

"There are fads in medicine as well as in other things," said a busy druggist, "but the most remarkable thing about Hood's Sarsaparilla is that customers who try other remedies all come back to Hood's, and this is why the enormous sales of this great medicine keep up while others come and go. 'Why is it?' 'O, simply because Hood's Sarsaparilla has more real curative merit than any medicine I ever sold.' 'This is of daily occurrence in almost every drug store! Hood's Sarsaparilla has cured more sickness, and made more happiness through restoration to health than any other medicine.'

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Is the standard—the One True Blood Purifier.

Hood's Pills cure Liver Ills; easy to take, easy to operate, 40c.

AN ESCAPE IN A COFFIN.

Under the title of "Forcets et Proscrits," M. Paul Mirande has just published a book in France, which, like his "Criminologie" of last year, treats of the "Criminologie" of the new volume, forming the frontier of the new volume. There is a wealth of material, both curious and instructive, in the subject, and the author has made the most of it. Among the many anecdotes he relates is an interesting one concerning the efforts of a murderer to escape from the Cayenne Penitentiary in a coffin, which he stole for the purpose from the stores.

He succeeded in launching his strange craft, and although his absence was soon discovered, it was not suspected that he had escaped by sea, as no boat was missing; it was therefore believed that he had committed suicide. Unfortunately for the convict, his pseudo-boat was observed by the officers of a ship which was coming from Antilles, and a swift was sent to investigate. The coffin was surrounded by screaming sea gulls, besides having an escort of two huge sharks, which swam so close to it that their fins constantly struck against its sides. The man was at the bottom, half submerged, and was more than half dead. He was put in irons, and a short time later he was back in the penitentiary.

MOSQUITOES IN CLONDYKE.

It is reported by returned miners that the northern mosquitoes are something enormous in size, and that they are not at all backward in partaking of the fresh blood from the south. Malaria is positively mosquito proof when applied to the hands and face and indispensable in the miner's medicine chest. We also recommend it for muscular swellings, pains and aches in any part of the body where an external application is required. Sold by Jno. Cochrane and Campbell, the druggists, 25 cents.

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the next sitting of the County Court of Victoria is adjourned until Tuesday, the 10th of August, 1897, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon. By order.

ARTHUR KEAST, Deputy Registrar of the County Court of Victoria. aug-td

NOTICE.

St. John street, from Belleville street to Quebec street, is closed to traffic. E. A. WILMOT, City Engineer.

NOTICE.

To Prospectors, Miners and Holders of Mineral Claims on unoccupied land within the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company's land grant, FOR ONE YEAR ONLY from the date of this notice, the Railway Company will sell their rights to minerals (except coal and iron) and the surface rights of mineral claims, at the price of \$5.00 per acre. Such sales will be subject to all other reservations contained in conveyances from the Company prior to this date. One half of the purchase money to be paid ten days after recording the claim with the Government, and a duplicate of the record to be filed in the Company's Land Office, Victoria. The balance of the purchase money to be paid in two equal installments, at the expiration of six and twelve months, without interest. Present holders of Mineral Claims who have not previously made other arrangements with the Company for acquiring Surface and Mineral Rights, are hereby notified to do so now, make the first payment on their Claims, as otherwise they will be deemed and treated as trespassers. LEONARD H. ROLLY, Land Commissioner. Victoria, B.C., June 1st, 1897.

NOTICE.

Is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners at its next sitting as a Licensing Court for a transfer to William White of my interest in the license issued to William White and myself for the sale of spirituous and fermented liquors by retail upon the premises known as the King's Head saloon, situate upon the north side of Johnson street in the city of Victoria.

Dated this 9th day of June, 1897. R. SLOAN.

NOTICE.

Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Co.

PATENTS.

Any one sending a sketch and description may quickly ascertain, free, whether an invention is probably patentable. Communications strictly confidential. Write to E. A. Wilmot, City Engineer, Esquimalt, B.C., or to Munn & Co. in New York.

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VICTORIA MARKETS.

Retail Quotations for Farmers' Produce Carefully Corrected.

Prices current in the city markets remain much the same as previously quoted, saving in the fish market, where prices have fallen away down. Salmon and halibut are now to be had for a song and in other fish a very low price prevails. At the city wharf, the wholesale mart of the fish dealers, where they replenish their stock when the train of slawh canoes arrive, salmon are being sold to-day for 5 cents each, and in the market new fruits are coming in daily and all finding a ready sale. In meats the prices remain unchanged, but in mutton at least the prospects are that the prices will stiffen, as the sheep meat is becoming scarce. The price of beef is likely to remain at the price it is quoted at present until the Christmas season. The prices current as quoted to-day are as follows:

Premier (Enderby).....\$5.50
Strong Baker's (O.K.).....\$5.25
Lake of the Woods.....\$5.50
Snowflake.....\$5.25
XXX.....\$5.25
Three Star (Enderby).....\$5.50
Salem.....\$5.75
Lettie's Hungarian.....\$6.00
Ogilvie's Hungarian.....\$5.75
Wheat, per ton.....\$25 to \$30
Barley, per ton.....\$20 to \$22
Middlings, per ton.....\$18 to \$20
Bran, per ton.....\$16 to \$18
Ground feed, per ton.....\$26 to \$30
Corn, whole.....\$25 to \$28
Corn, cracked.....\$24 to \$26
Oatmeal, per 10 pounds.....45 to 50c
Rolled oats, (Or. or N. W.).....30c
Rolled oats, (B. & K.) 7lb. sacks.....30c
New potatoes, per lb.....11c
Cabbage.....10c to 12c
Cauliflower, per head.....10c to 12c
Corn, per doz.....25c
Hay, baled, per ton.....\$15 to \$18
Straw, per bale.....50c to 75c
Onions, per lb.....8c to 10c
Tomatoes.....10c to 12c
Pumpkins.....10c to 12c
Peaches.....10c to 12c
Pineapples.....25c to 40c
Watermelons.....25c to 35c
Mushrooms.....10c to 12c
Fish—salmon, per lb.....10 to 12c
Halibut.....8c to 10c
Fish—small.....8c to 10c
Eggs, Island, fresh, per doz.....25c to 30c
Eggs, Mainland.....15c to 20c
Butter, creamery, per lb.....25c
Butter, Delta creamery, per lb.....25c
Butter, fresh.....20c to 25c
Cheese, Canadian.....15c to 20c
Cheese, California.....10c to 15c
Hams, American, per lb.....10c to 15c
Hams, Canadian, per lb.....10c to 15c
Bacon, American, per lb.....10c to 15c
Bacon, long clear, per lb.....12c to 15c
Bacon, Canadian, per lb.....10c to 15c
Shoulders.....10c to 15c
Lard.....12c to 15c
Sides beef, per lb.....8c to 10c
Meats—beef, per pound.....8c to 10c
Veal.....10c to 12c
Mutton, per pound.....8c to 10c
Mutton, whole, fresh, per lb.....8c to 10c
Pork, sides, fresh, per lb.....8c to 10c
Chicken, per pair.....\$1.00 to \$1.50

MISCELLANEOUS.

SPIRITUALISM—Geo. P. Colby, the medium from Lake Helen, Florida, U.S.A., has taken parlors at Hotel Brunswick. Office hours, for private readings, 10 to 12 a.m., and 1.30 to 5 p.m. aug-1m

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Board of Licensing Commissioners at its next sitting for a transfer of the retail liquor license to the premises situate at No. 91 Government street, known as the Senate saloon from us to Henry C. Marr.

Dated 28th July, 1897. W. W. PETRIE, W. F. HALL.

NOTICE

Is hereby given that at the next meeting of the Board of Licensing Commissioners I intend to apply for the transfer of the license now held by me for the Bee Hive Saloon, situate at the corner of Broad and Fort streets, to Luke Gray and Thomas Dooley.

PATRICK BURKE, Victoria, July 22, 1897.

JNO. MESTON.

Carriage Maker BLACKSMITH, ETC. Broad street, between Johnson and Fort streets.

CAPTURE OF A BICYCLE THIEF.

"Hah!" exclaimed Sherlock Holmes, Jr., the great bicycle thief-catcher, "you see our man. You say that the wheel that was stolen from you was a seventy-two gear, with ram's horn handle-bars?"

"Yes," replied the man who had been robbed.

"Good," exclaimed Holmes. "That is the kind of wheel I ride. I can see at a glance, too, that he uses a stolen wheel."

"Wonderful!" his companion ejaculated. "How is it possible for you to tell all this by merely glancing at him?"

"Easy enough, my dear sir, if you know how," the great detective answered. "Look at his hands. You see they are sunburned only upon the back of the left hand above the thumb. If he used the old style handle-bars his hands would be sunburned all over the back."

"Most extraordinary deduction I ever heard of," said the citizen.

"Now," continued Sherlock Holmes, Jr., "notice his walk. You see it is just an ordinary gait. If he rode a low-geared machine he would move with quick, nervous steps. On the other hand, if his machine was high-geared, his steps would be slow and firm. But he walks along in just a common way, hence the bicycle that he rides is a medium gear."

"This is simply astonishing," declared the man at the detective's side. "Now tell me how you would know that the fellow rides a stolen wheel?"

The great thief-catcher drew a long puff from his cigarette, through the smoke to circulate freely, through his lungs for about a minute and a half, and then replied:

"Look at his nose,"

"His nose?" exclaimed the other.

"Surely you can't tell whether a man is a thief or not by simply looking at his nose?"

"Not in all cases," Holmes responded, "but in such cases as this it is the simplest thing in the world. You see the end of his nose has been exposed to the sun. It has just begun to peel off. Well, what does that signify? Merely this, my dear fellow: The fellow has not dared to buy a cap, for fear of arousing suspicion, so he has been getting along with a common hat, with the result that I have pointed out."

The wonderful man then walked up to the thief, clasped a pair of handcuffs upon him, and when the evidence, as set forth here, was in court, there was no thing left for the culprit but to confess and receive his sentence of imprisonment at hard labor for life.—Cleveland Leader.

NOTHING TARDY ABOUT HIM.

"I guess that father-in-law of mine will do," smiled a young married man of Pict Hill. "He came down to spend a week or so with us. Having much the same indifference of character that I manifested throughout my courtship, the old gentleman brought his own supply of cigars along, for he is an inveterate smoker. I kept mine in an open box on the library table. They are of a favorite brand, and I pride myself on being a pretty good judge of the obnoxious narcotic."

"Within two days I detected a depreciation in the quality of my cigars. They did not smoke so freely, the rich flavor of Havana was wanting, and the odor was that of burning garden truck. I couldn't account for it, and I wouldn't stand it. I went to the man of whom I buy and made all kinds of kicks. He bet me a new hat that the cigars he had sold me were as good as I had ever bought of that brand, and I brought down what was left, just to show him that I knew a few things myself, and incidentally to get an order for a new hat. He soon convinced me that there were two kinds of cigars in the box, some that he had sold me and some that seemed to have an Ohio wrapper on a Michigan filler. Then I went into the business of unraveling the mystery. It was soon done."

"Every time the old gentleman wanted to smoke he took one of my finest and substituted one of his. I said nothing and really enjoyed his good taste. When I returned the box was empty. He had smoked everything in sight. He said nothing, and when I offered him a choice weed from my pocket he tersely informed me that he always bought his own cigars."

VALUE OF TEAK.

In an article in Timber (London), on the value of teak for structural and mechanical purposes, the claim is put forth that such wood is really the most durable timber known and of especial importance to shipbuilders, being very hard, very light, easily worked, and, though porous, strong and lasting. It is soon seasoned, shrinks but little, and on account of its oily nature does not injure iron. In Southeastern Asia it is not only considered the best material for ship construction, but for house carpentry and other work where strength and other lasting qualities are required. It is rarely attacked by ants of the white species, and its rare durability renders it especially valuable in a climate like that of India, where the elements causing decay are so numerous and powerful, where dampness brings on rapid decomposition, and where the white ant devours without scruple. In the operation of cutting this wood is frequently killed one or two years before it is felled.

A Remarkable Cure of Chronic Diarrhoea.

In 1892 when I served my country in a private in Company A, 107th Pennsylvania Volunteers, I contracted chronic diarrhoea. It has given me a great deal of trouble ever since. I have tried a dozen different medicines and several prominent doctors without any permanent relief. Not long ago a friend sent me a sample bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and after that I bought and took a 50 cent bottle; and now I can say I am entirely cured. I cannot be thankful enough to you for this great remedy, and recommend it to all suffering veterans. If in doubt write me. Yours gratefully, Henry Steinberger, Allentown, Pa. Sold by all druggists, Langley & Henderson Bros., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

SCALES USED BY ASSAYERS.

The question most commonly asked by visitors to a chemist's laboratory is "How small a thing can you weigh on your scales?" It conveys little meaning to tell the average person that a good pair of chemist's balances will weigh accurately to one-tenth of one milligramme, but if he is told that a short hair from a man's head can be easily and accurately weighed, the questioner begins to approach the delicacy of adjustment in the scales. More delicate still are the balances used by the assayers. The weighing of gold by an assayer requires the greatest possible accuracy, since a small speck of metal on that scale pan may represent very large quantities of it in the ore or bullion on the works. The balances used by this "gold work" are the most sensitive of any used for commercial work, and, in fact, are more accurate than those employed by many scientists. Some idea of their accuracy and sensitiveness can be obtained by the following experiment:

A piece of ordinary white paper, the size of a cent is carefully weighed, and then a short pencil mark is drawn on it and the paper reweighed. This second weighing will differ from the first by just the graphite left by the pencil mark. If care is taken and the balances are perfectly adjusted the result will always be the same, no matter how many times the paper without the pencil mark and the paper with it be weighed. The two weights always differ just the same amount, and that is the added weight of the graphite. Of course such balances require the greatest care, for they easily get out of order, and when once deranged there is no telling how long it may take to get them adjusted again. It may be two minutes and it may be two hours. Some assayers say that it is impossible to work with "gold balances" unless one possesses a large stock of patience and profanity. From what I know of skillful assayers I should say that this is approximately true.

ONE OUT, ALL OUT.

A young curate, an enthusiast at the game, set himself to organize a cricket team in the country parish to which he had been lately appointed. The only available field was one owned by a butcher, a good-natured, but quick-tempered man, who had never handled a bat, but who was well disposed towards the new minister. When a committee, headed by the curate, waited upon him, he responded in the most generous manner. Lend his field? Of course he would. More than that he would join the club, and take a hand in the game now and then. The curate was taken a little aback, but could not do less than express his pleasure, and the butcher was duly enrolled as a member of the club. By and by, after a little practice, the club arranged a "scratch match" among themselves, and on hearing of it the butcher at once declared his intention of being present at the contest. As he was the owner of the field, he deemed it courteous to put him in first. He was a little uncertain as to what to do with his bat, but on being told to hit the ball, he said that if that was all it would be easy enough. The curate first took up the bowling, and the butcher had the honor of the opening over. The first ball sent the leg-stump flying, and in recovering from the momentum of a tremendous swipe the batsman himself was knocked down the other two. He took no notice, but shaped for the next ball.

"You can't play any more," said the umpire. "You are out."

"What?" said the butcher.

"You're out," yelled the fielders in explanation. "It means that you can't play any more."

"Oh, is that it?" replied the butcher.

"Yes," said the fielders.

"I can't play any more?" said the butcher, looking around angrily.

"No," replied the fielders.

"I am out, am I?"

"Yes," yelled the fielders.

"Then, out of my field, every blessed one of you!" roared the butcher. And out they had to go.

PHIL OSSIFER'S TARIFF TALK.

Fellow citizens: Let us stop talking bicycles this evening and for a few short minutes discuss the live proposition of tariff for revenue only. Fellow citizens, what use is a tariff for revenue only if the price of potatoes don't go up? What use is a tariff if it doesn't raise the salary of a Baytown postmaster?

Fellow-citizens, we have some claims to that distinguished office, and if Sam Blades doesn't cut us out by telling around that we voted for Nick Jenks for postmaster in 1876—Nick being a Democrat—we expect to get it. Why shouldn't the salary of the postmaster be raised? Gentlemen, why shouldn't it?

Fellow-citizens, if there is no reason why it shouldn't be raised, I pause to hear if there is no reason.

Fellow-citizens, if Sam Blades gets that office, the salary is high enough. It's more than he's earning now. Gentlemen, in that event let it be reduced. If, gentlemen—if his ambition to pass the mail should be real—economy should prevail.

Fellow-citizens, prosperity demands it; gentlemen, patriotism punctuates the sentiment with applause.

Thus, my friends, you see clearly the benefits of a tariff for revenue only, which I started out to prove, and which I have so clearly done.

Gentlemen, I thank you.

It is always gratifying to receive testimonials for Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and when the endorsement is from a physician it is especially so. "There is no more satisfactory medicine," writes Dr. R. E. Robey, physician and pharmacist, of Olney, Mo., and as he has used the Remedy in his own family and sold it in his drug store for six years, he should certainly know. For sale by all druggists, Langley & Henderson Bros., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

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For Infants and Children.

See the signature of J. C. H. Stearns.

BEE HUNTING IN AUSTRALIA.

The swarm of bees which made its appearance on Exchange street in the early part of last week was of great interest to an elderly gentleman who for some years lived in Australia, the land of kangaroos and red-headed pugilists, and as he watched the operation of hiving the honey-gatherers he grew reminiscent and said:

"That recalls one of the most interesting experiences of my residence in Australia, where I spent about two weeks out on a large sheep range owned by a friend of mine, where I made the acquaintance of the herders, who was a native black aboriginal great hand to trail bees to their hives."

"One day I asked permission to accompany him on one of his trips, and after a little deliberation he consented. Before setting out he provided himself with a small bunch of cotton, a little gum of some sort, and a bottle of water. The care he took in preparing these articles aroused my curiosity, and when I questioned him he said that they were to be used in the hunt for honey. I failed to see how they could be of service, but made up my mind to watch closely and see what he would do."

"The first day we rode on in silence, all the time keeping a sharp lookout for something which I had not the slightest idea of, and when he suddenly reined in his horse and started for a clump of flowering bushes I followed his example and was somewhat astonished when he lifted a warning finger and pointed to a bee which was busy gathering honey."

"Motioning me to remain quiet, he drew out the water bottle, filled his mouth, and then took a small tuft of the cotton and deftly fastened the cotton to its neck and remounted his horse."

"When the bee recovered the use of its wings it started off across the country, and we rode on in silence. It was impossible for me to keep track of the bee, but my companion never lost sight of it and followed it unerringly as it flew along, unconsciously leading an enemy to its storehouse."

"He drew out the water bottle, filled his mouth, and then took a small tuft of the cotton and deftly fastened the cotton to its neck and remounted his horse."

"After a chase of several miles the bird began to hover around a tree, and when we drew nearer we saw bees issuing from a hole in the trunk. The former method for securing the honey were put in operation, the bird settling on a nearby limb while the operation was going on. After securing the honey a portion was set aside for the bird, as my companion declared that unless he did so the bird would refuse to guide him any more."

"We found several other trees and marked them and reached the house in the evening. After supper my host entertained me with an account of the amount of honey which the herder had gathered, stating that in one week the previous summer he had secured nearly a ton of the product."

"Since leaving that place I have visited a number of large apiaries in various countries, and seen many numbers of devices for keeping bees, but I have never met any one who made such an interesting use of the bee hunter with whom I spent a day in southern Australia."—Rochester Union and Advertiser.

"Maum," was that a sugar-plum you just gave me?" asked little Mabel. "No, dear, it was one of Dr. Ayer's Pills."

"Please, may I have another?"

"Not now, dear; one of those nice pills is all you need at present, because every dose is effective."

THE SEDUCTIVE PHONOGRAPH.

Farmer Meadowgrass came to town last week, and seeing the lights on Woodward avenue wandered into a photograph parlor. Just to satisfy the cravings of his depraved nature, he dropped a nickel into the slot to hear the music, accompanying the action with the remark:

"My sporting blood would always get the best of me."

The music began. The first selection was "My Dear Ben, the Suwan River," and the old gentleman took it rather calmly. The next was "Sweet Little Rosie O'Grady" and the old gentleman's face was like a benediction. Then came a hymn, "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing," and the farmer's face lengthened into prayer meeting regulation length. But last on the schedule was a lively, old-fashioned reel, and his face lit up like magic. His feet began to move nimbly. His limbs twitched, and voluntarily he began to shuffle. Soon his feet were keeping time with the music, and it was not long before he was describing the real sort of reel. At the end of the tune his feet came down "kerplunk" and he gave utterance to a satisfied sort of vocal expletive, much like "whoopie!" while he smiled broadly.

"Parlour, give us that again," he said to the attendant, but when assured that he would have to wait until the turn came, he shouldered his disappointment heroically and marched from the place.

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Excruciating Pains—Have You Suffered from Sciatic or Saltic Pains? South American Rheumatic Cure Will relieve in 6 Hours and Cure.

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FORT USED AS A BARN.

A few days ago Ben L. Jones converted the old fort built in 1806 at Fort Hawkins into a barn. Although the old log structure has stood the storm of shot and shell, and has been exposed to all the varying changes of weather since that early period, not an unsound timber is to be seen in it to-day. The logs of which it is constructed are as solid and sound as they were at first. The fort was made of Georgia heart pine, and to-day it would burn like rosin if a match were stuck to a ragged end.

The structure was built by a Government trading post or factory, where deskins were purchased from the Indians. During the Creek war, from 1812 to 1814, it was a rendezvous and distributing point for the United States soldiers, and Maj. Phil Cook was in command. Anticipating the dangers from the torch of the treacherous red man, the whites built the fort on a high stone foundation, the floor of the wooden structure extending beyond the rock walls. Portholes were made in the extended floor, so as to shoot Indians who might try to scale the walls to set fire to the woodwork.

During the famous Creek war fought by Tecumseh and his brother, who was known as the prophet, the building was in the centre of the territory attacked. Tecumseh was one of the most eloquent of Indians, and when the war was begun between Great Britain and the United States he came to the Indians, advising them that then was the time for the Indians to reclaim their lands from the whites. He read in an Eastern paper that a comet would appear in the sky at a given time. So he notified the Indians that when his arrow appeared in the heavens it would be a sign for them to attack the whites. Old Fort Hawkins, perhaps, was more vigorously attacked in pursuance of this order than was any other in the country.

The fort received its name from Benjamin Hawkins, a Senator from North Carolina, who had been appointed a commissioner to Georgia to draw up a treaty with the Creek Indians.—Macdonald's Telegraph.

—New goods, Keeler's marmalade and fine Canadian cheese. R. H. Jameson, 33 Fort street.

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CURE SICK HEAD

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ACHE they would be almost useless to those who suffer from this distressing complaint, but fortunately their goodness does not end here, and those who cure by them will find these little pills valuable in so many ways that they will not be willing to do without them. But after all sick lives

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THE EYES OF THE WORLD

Are Fixed Upon South American Nervine.

Beyond Doubt the Greatest Medical Discovery of the Age.

WHEN EVERY OTHER HELPER HAS FAILED IT CURES

A Discovery, Based on Scientific Principles, that Renders Failure Impossible.



In the matter of good health temporary measures, while possibly successful for the moment, can never be lasting. Those in poor health soon know whether the remedy they are using is simply a passing incident in their experience, bracing them up for the day, or something that is getting at the seat of the disease and is surely and permanently restoring.

The eyes of the world are literally fixed on South American Nervine. They are not viewing it as a nine-days' wonder, but critical and experienced men have been studying this medicine for years, with the one result—they have found that its claim of perfect curative qualities cannot be gainsaid.

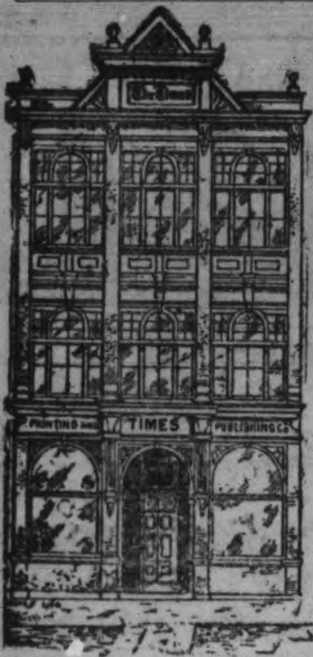
The great discovery of this medicine was pre-pressed of the knowledge that the seat of all disease is the nerve centres, situated at the base of the brain. In this belief he had the best scientists and medical men of the world occupying exactly the same premises. Indeed, the ordinary layman recognized this principle long ago. Everyone knows that let disease or injury affect this part of the human system and death is almost certain. Injure the spinal cord, which is the medium of these nerve centres, and paralysis is sure to follow. Here is the first principle. The true

able, with medical treatment usually, and with nearly all medicines, is that they aim simply to treat the organ that may be diseased. South American Nervine passes by the organs and immediately applies its curative powers to the nerve centres, from which the organs of the body receive their supply of nerve fluid. The nerve centres healed, and of necessity the organs which have shown the outward evidence of derangement is healed. Indigestion, nervousness, impoverished blood, liver complaint, all owe their origin to a derangement of the nerve centres. Thousands bear testimony that they have been cured of these troubles, even when they have become desperate as to battle the skill of the most eminent physicians, because only South American Nervine has gone to headquarters and cured there.

The eyes of the world have not been disappointed in the inquiry into the value of South American Nervine. People marvel, it is true, at its wonderful medical qualities, but they know beyond all question that it does exactly what it is claimed for. It reaches along at the very great nerve centres, the seat of the great nervous system, and should anyone suffer distress and disease while this remedy is prominently at their hands?

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The Daily Times.

THE MINING REGULATIONS.

The proposed mining regulations, or more especially the provisions in respect to the size of claims and the royalty of ten and twenty per cent, which it was proposed to levy on the output of placer mines in the Yukon district are still under the consideration of the government and it is probable that some material changes will be made. The size of the claims has been reduced from 500 to 100 feet, the discoverer to be allotted 200 feet. In reply to a telegram to the minister of the interior, setting forth the objections to the regulations as first announced, the following has been received:

Ottawa, Aug. 6.
W. Templeman, Victoria:
Claims will be reduced in size to 100 feet for an ordinary claim; two hundred feet for discoverer. The other question is under consideration.

CLIFFORD SUTTON.
The "other question" referred to was the proposal to charge a royalty of ten and twenty per cent. The minister was urged to modify the regulations and especially to exempt altogether from royalty the product of all claims up to a certain amount. The reduction of the size of claims to one hundred feet will be approved by miners generally. It will increase fivefold the number of mine owners, and to the same extent will enlarge the opportunities of the prospectors. We trust the minister will also see the necessity for amending the royalty clause by substituting a more equitable and more workable arrangement.

A SAMPLE CASE.

Among the certificates of character which the attorney-general receives there is none, we suppose, that is more highly than those from the Wellington Enterprise. In the last issue of that paper the following remarks appear: "The decision of the full court in the case of the Kokilah Quarry Co. vs. the Queen, bears out in full the statement which we made some months ago about the act passed through the legislature at its last meeting to replace this case on the list of cases for appeal from which it had been removed through the negligence, carelessness and stupidity of the attorney-general's department. The decision of the full court is that the act is not so framed as to cover the very case it was intended to cover. One is almost inclined to laugh at this further evidence of the incompetence and want of ability shown by the attorney-general, but we feel that he and the government should be ashamed of the part they have played in this case. Having been knocked out of court in the further hearing of the case last spring by neglecting to give the timely notice of appeal, they betook themselves to the legislature, which was then in session, to repair their shortcomings and take advantage of a company which had so far beaten them in the courts. The press of this province has said very little about this curious use of their majority in the house, but we have no hesitation in denouncing it as a most dangerous innovation and an outrage on the course of the administration of justice. We think this matter has gone far enough. Something has been said of an appeal from the latest decision to the privy council of Great Britain. For the credit and honor of the people of this province we hope no such course will be taken. It will expose to the world the devious and indefensible course of the crown to repair the errors of administration in the attorney-general's department. Pay what is coming to the Kokilah Company and let us hear the last of this. We say this because we understand that the government has already offered them \$20,000 in settlement, thereby to a certain extent admitting the principle that the company have a claim. It is beneath the dignity of any government to quibble over the difference." It is rather remarkable that so little has been said of the attempt made by the government to pass an act which would relieve it from the mess caused by neglect. The fact that the passage of this act was generally an-

noticed, or its intent was not understood. The attorney-general must have known when he was devising this plan of escape from his difficulty that courts everywhere frown upon interference with the rights of litigants by an ex post facto legislation. At all events, his scheme has so far had no other result than to call attention more sharply to the manner in which his department is conducted.

Mr. Dickson, manager of the Kootenay Electric Company, has sent the following letter to the Kootenay Kootenian: "An article in your issue of July 31st has been brought to my notice in which you state that W. Melton, an employee of this company, was stopped repairing an armature for us at the Spokane Light & Power Co.'s works, Spokane. On enquiry I find that far from this being the case the employees of the above company did all in their power to assist him in executing the necessary repairs with as little delay as possible." To this the Kootenian appends a note stating that its information came from a member of the Electric Company, who appears to have been misinformed. It is very satisfactory to find that the story was not correct, for it seemed to indicate that the unworthy tactics of the east had been introduced in the west, which has so far been free from them.

This beats them all—Leslie's Weekly prints a picture showing a pack train at Dawson City loaded with ore.

A FINE MAP.

From Which Yukon Geography Can Be Easily Learned.

A remarkably good Yukon map—by all odds the best yet published—has been issued by the Province Publishing Company. It gives on an enlarged scale a chart of the Canadian Yukon country, showing clearly the routes via Lynn canal and the Stikine river. In the corner is a comprehensive outline map. Accompanying the map is full information in regard to routes, necessary supplies, etc. No other map so far published gives the details given so clearly, accurately, or in such convenient form. This map can be obtained in paper form at the price of 50 cents, or for one dollar mounted on cloth and enclosed in a neat waterproof case. In the latter shape it will exactly suit the wants of the Yukon adventurer, who will find his map protected from water and from undue wear and tear. A pocket in the case, for pencil, paper, etc., adds to the convenience. It may be mentioned that so much attention is paid to detail in the map that the Goodbye valley is besprinkled with bronze dust, thus giving special prominence to the region for which all adventurers now aim. The publishers report a wide demand for the map, a large number of them going as far away as Australia.

PERSONAL.

S. Applethwaite, of Vancouver, is at the Hotel.
E. J. Millard, of Vancouver, is a guest at the Oriental.
B. L. Robertson, of Moreau Island, is at the Oriental.
J. F. Salloway returned from Vancouver last evening.

G. C. Hinton returned last evening from Vancouver.

Rev. Geo. B. Maxwell, M.P., of Vancouver, is in the city.

Mrs. and Miss Barron returned this morning from the Sound.

George Sangster and N. P. Shaw were passengers inward on the Chamer last evening.

Mrs. Templeman and the Misses Drysdale returned this morning from a visit to San Francisco.

O. Promis, who has been visiting here for some time, leaves to-night for his home in San Jose.

Miss Cameron and Miss Speers returned this morning from California, which state they toured awhile.

Mr. and Mrs. Carter, of Winnipeg, are visiting their son-in-law, Mr. J. H. Rogers, of the Great Northern Railway Co.

Rt. Rev. Bishop Lemmens is expected home from South America, where he has spent a year, by the end of the month.

Rev. W. H. Easton, M.A., the new principal of the Methodist College, New Westminster, is in town for a few days in the interests of the college.

BONDING PRIVILEGES.

No Trouble In Getting Outfits Through Alaskan Territory.

Messrs F. C. Davidge & Co. have received by wire an official communication from Washington which is of importance to steamboat operators and all others interested in the Yukon business. The company's agent, Mr. J. H. Johnson, telegraphed the following enquiry to Washington:

Seattle, Aug. 6.
Secretary of the Treasury, Washington:
Parties here intend shipping prospectors' outfits to British Columbia by American vessel, thence, by British steamer to Dyea, thence to the British North-West Territory. Can such outfits be transported through Alaska under customs supervision without bond?

J. H. Johnson.

To this the following reply was wired:
J. H. Johnson, Seattle:
Replying to your telegram, department has arranged to make Dyea a customs sub-port. Miners can land their effects and go to British territory under customs supervision, without giving bond.

W. B. HOWELL, Assistant Secretary.

REDUCED RATES TO THE EAST.

From July 12th to July 17th inclusive, also on Mondays and Thursdays thereafter up to and including August 31st, the Northern Pacific Railway will sell tickets at greatly reduced rates to all principal points in the East and Europe. For rates and all information call on E. F. Blackwood, agent Northern Pacific Railway Company.

Two million pounds sterling's worth of German toys are sold in England every year.

Texada City TOWNSITE.

The Lots in Blocks numbered 2, 3, 6, 7, 12 and 13 will be sold as follows: Corner Lot at \$150 each; Inside Lots at \$100.
Lots in Blocks numbered 1, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 14 will be sold for \$100 each for corner lots and \$75 each for inside lots.
Terms will be one-third cash, balance payable in three and six months, with interest at 6 per cent. per annum.
The property is held under Crown grant, and title is warranted.
The vendor has contracted for the erection of a fine hotel, containing 26 rooms, at an expenditure of \$5,000, and to stimulate the quick building of Texada City, will give the hotel and ground upon which it stands (half an acre) as a prize to be drawn for among the first 300 paid-up purchasers of lots (each lot being entitled to one draw). The following well-known business men of Vancouver will superintend the drawing for the lot-holders: J. C. Keith, Esq., director of the Union Steamship Co., Vancouver; G. W. De Beck, Esq., director of Golden Cache Mines; J. R. Seymour, Esq., wholesale and retail druggist, Vancouver.

PLAN OF SALE

The drawing will take place in Vancouver as soon as possible after the lots are sold, and the time and place of drawing will be advertised in the daily papers of Victoria, Vancouver, New Westminster and Nanaimo.
Parties contemplating investing in Texada City property are advised to make early application for lots, so as to take advantage of the drawing for the hotel, which is limited to the first 300 paid-up purchasers only. For further particulars apply to the following agents:

A. ALLAYNE JONES

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RAYMONT BROS. & CO., 25 Broad St.
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RUSSIAN CAPITAL IN CHINA.

An American correspondent at Shanghai writes:
"A subject that is attracting much attention in China these days is the rapid increase of Russian influence. The special embassy sent by the Czar to Peking is the most in evidence, but fully as significant is the removal of the Russo-Chinese bank at Peking to palatial new quarters. These will also house the Eastern Manchurian Railway, and alongside will be the Russian president and the Chinese vice-president of the railway. All these are intended for lavish hospitality, and as the Chinese are much impressed by the splendor of a nation's representatives, Russia will be easily first at the court of the middle kingdom."
"The Russian embassy, with Prince Uchomsky at its head, has been received with greater honor than that which even the Czarowitch or General Grant was entertained. The Shanghai Tsotai spent thousands on the decoration of his residence on Hsienling Well road, and even introduced the electric light. The large courtyard was transformed into a banquet hall, and at the lower end a party of actors gave a performance during the dinner."
"Among the members of the embassy are M. Syromiatnikoff, one of the editors of the Moscow Vremya, and a high official of the ministry of justice, who will go to Vladivostok to inspect the courts and prisons of Saghalien Island. The embassy brings many rich presents from the Czar to the Emperor, valued at 300,000 rubles. They were all selected personally by the Czar, and they fill forty-eight large cases. Among them are several unique vases of lapis lazuli and the grand cordon of the Order of St. Catherine, which is to be given to the Emperor."
"The head of the embassy is also the chairman of the Russo-Chinese bank, which has sprung into such prominence during the last few months. Up to the outbreak of the war with Japan, Great Britain had the largest influence at Peking; but during that struggle English prestige waned and Russia came to the front. By cunning diplomacy the Russian minister and his agents have convinced the suspicious Tsungli-Yamen that Russian interests in Siberia are identical with those of China on her border provinces. Hence the liberal railroad and mining concessions granted to Russian companies and the remarkable influence which high Russian officials have gained at court."

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PRIDE EVEN IN BOOT BLACKING.
Three young knights of the blacking brush were industriously plying their trade in front of the Grosvenor Hotel. One of the customers, a well-dressed man, was waiting for the others to get the best shine, while their customers good-naturedly incited their pride. One customer's shoes were unusually susceptible to shining and he was getting the best of it. He joked the next boy for doing a poor job, but he didn't take the joke. With a flash of his eye he turned upon the jocular customer and said:

"Say, mister, you let me shine that other shoe and I'll do for nothing."
But not even the prospect of a free shine moved the man to accommodate the ambitious bootblack.

—Enamel cooking utensils at Weller Bros; just what you need for the Clondyke.

POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY.

"Say Mickey, duz de fore-runner pay de tacks?"
"Aw, kum off your mount, Tim, you ridder too high a gear, you duz."
"Quit dia everlastin bike talk and dis- kuss some of de ishews of de day."
"Wot duz I keer who pays de tacks. Ain't I got troubles enuff?"
"Mickey Murphy, it's jest sech as ye dute sendin de kentry to de hobos. Wot you're needs is a little interest in things. Duz yes know wot I6 to I is?"
"Aw, it's a long shot, ye empty bait can! Huh! Gee! Guess I none me letters, Tim Turner, you're has sprockets, you has."

SADDLES THAT COST \$3,000.

"The finest and most costly saddle in America," said J. J. Crofton, "is owned in California, where it was manufactured. It is owned and was designed by Dixie W. Thompson, a wealthy rancher of Ventura county, whose home is in Santa Barbara. The saddle is of typical Mexican pattern, with a high pommel; well hollowed seat, and the most elaborate tracings. The work was done in Santa Barbara under Mr. Thompson's supervision, and is such as only the Spaniards could produce. The saddle is of fine embossed leather, set thick with silver buttons and rosettes, the pommel encased with silver, the corners of the apron tipped with it, the stirrups faced and edged with silver half an inch thick, elaborately chased and carved. The saddle-tree is hung with silver rings to answer the vaquero's requirements. The girth is woven from horses' manes by native artisans, and is fully eight inches broad. The reins, martingales and whips are composed of solid silver in woven strands. The bridle, reins and accessories, weighing about twelve pounds, are worth about \$250 in the value of coin silver used. Each year Mr. Thompson adds something to the beauty and value of the saddle, and it has already cost about \$3,000."—Galveston News.

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The above reward will be paid for information which will lead to the arrest and conviction of the miscreant who has been puncturing the tires of bicycles of employees of this company.
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For Sale, Farm at Cowichan.

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All persons—voters in South Victoria—wishing to join the Association are respectfully invited to be present.

Section of officers and other important business.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that we intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the city of Victoria at its next session for a transfer of the license issued to Mr. Pagden upon the premises known as the Hall Saloon, situated at Port street, in the city of Victoria, to Wm. Corvill.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Cleanings of City and Provincial News in a Condensed Form.

Remember the great Clearance Sale now going on at the Sterling, Yates street.

A large assortment of English Rockingham tea pots at H. A. Brown & Co.'s, 80 Douglas street.

15 cent tea kettles, 15 cent dish pans and other cheap thrives at H. A. Brown & Co.'s, 80 Douglas street.

Are you going to Clondyke? If so, get your moccasins at Erskine's, corner of Government and Johnson streets.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the First Presbyterian church intend giving an ice cream social next Wednesday evening. A good programme has been prepared.

The information against Jessie Peat for assaulting Kate McKenzie was this morning dismissed, the magistrate being unable to decide which woman was in the wrong.

The "Badrington," late Major House, Vancouver, under management of H. R. Stratton.

The ladies of Emmanuel Baptist church tendered a reception to Rev. O. C. Kendall, the new pastor of that church, yesterday evening at the residence of Mrs. Spofford, North Pembroke street.

The low rates to California made for the Christian Endeavor convention come to an end on Monday. A large number of the Endeavorers went over the C.P.R., spending a day here en route.

Death came yesterday to William Cowling, who for many years past has resided at 108 View street. The deceased was 63 years of age and a native of Tavistock, Devonshire, Eng. He being a member of Ashlan Lodge, a Nanaimo lodge of the A. F. & A. M., will be buried with Masonic honors. The funeral will take place tomorrow at 2:30 p.m. from the Masonic hall on Douglas street. All members of the craft are requested to be present.

The fire brigade were called out shortly before 1 o'clock this morning to a fire which broke out in the stables of F. H. Foster on Blincoe street. The fire department arrived very quickly, and notwithstanding the fact that a large quantity of hay was stored in the stable they extinguished the fire before any serious damage had resulted. The fire is believed to have been of incendiary origin, Mr. Foster being away from the city at present.

Yesterday the tents of the campers at the Methodist camp meeting at Kanaka beach were again crowded, and all listened with rapt attention to the various speakers. The morning meeting was conducted by Mr. McKean and that of the afternoon by Rev. J. P. Hicks. In the evening Mr. McKean was again in charge. This afternoon the speaker was Rev. Mr. Easton, the new principal of Columbia college, Westminster. The meeting to be held this evening will be conducted by Rev. J. C. Speer.

The Fifth Regiment band will play the following programme at the concert to be given this evening at Mount Baker hotel, Oak Bay:

March—"De Molay".....Hall
Overture—"Pique Dame".....Suppe
Waltz—"Golden Showers".....Waldteufel
Selection—"Nanon".....Genee
Selection—"Reminiscences of the Minstrels".....Fin
Dance—"Polka".....Scharwenka
Waltz—"Jolly Fellows".....Hoelker
Selection—"The Crazy Quilt".....DeWitt
God Save the Queen.

The directors of the Bank of British Columbia have issued the following circular: "I beg to inform you that a general meeting of the shareholders of this bank will be held at the City Terminus Hotel, Cannon street, on Thursday, the 20th inst., at half-past two o'clock precisely, when an interim dividend for the half year ended the 30th of June will be recommended at the rate of four per cent. per annum. As announced at the last general meeting, it has been considered desirable by the court that Mr. W. C. Ward, superintendent of the bank, should have a seat at the court, and they have now the pleasure to recommend that the proprietors confirm the action of the court by electing Mr. Ward a director of the bank."

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A. B. Erskine is the man to get your gold fields footwear from; he has the biggest line and best prices. See the stock at the corner of Government and Johnson streets.

In ordering wood give us a trial. Our wood is all cut from large trees and thoroughly dry, therefore it must be the best that money can buy. Sold in any length. Spratt & Macanlay.

Mayor Reifern, at the request of a number of citizens, has called a public meeting for next Wednesday evening to discuss the Yukon mining regulations of the Dominion government.

Prof. E. E. Prince, fisheries commissioner, will meet the canners residing at Victoria at the Board of Trade rooms on Tuesday or Wednesday next. It is desirable that there should be a full representation of those engaged in the fish canning business in order that their views may be laid before the commissioner. The secretary of the board will announce the day and hour of the meeting probably on Monday.

The Winnipeg Tribune says: "The impression which Rev. Solomon Cleaver, the new pastor of Grace church, made last Sunday upon the large congregations which listened to his words at the morning and evening services was most favorable. He impressed one as a brilliant, clear-headed, manly man, and if he does not prove to be a power for good in the community the Tribune misjudges the man." He has a magnificent physique, a striking presence and a pleasing voice, and is sure to be equal to the best traditions of Grace church pulpit."

A Portland dispatch says: "L. N. Valle, assistant superintendent of the railway mail service, has returned from Victoria, B. C., where he has been arranging with the Canadian mail authorities regarding the carrying of mails into the Clondyke region. He says the Canadian authorities have created a post office at Dawson City. This makes three offices established by them in that portion of the Northwest Territories. The other two offices are at Forty-Mile Creek and Port Cadaby. The mail will be carried by Mounted Police from Dyea and Skagway. The service will be established in about four weeks."

VACATION EXTENDED.

Public Schools Will Not Open for a Fort-Night.

At a meeting of the board of school trustees held this afternoon it was decided, in view of the warm weather prevailing, not to open the schools on Monday next, but to extend the vacation until the 29th inst. The schools will positively open on that date.

The board also decided today to accept the resignations of Misses Worlock and Fraser, pupil teachers.

THE HUMAN FISH.

The Strange Amphibian From the Southern Coast Reaches Town.

The remarkable amphibian, so fully described in recent press dispatches, has reached town. Capt. Robt. Beasley, its custodian, is en route to the east with his strange charge, which is attracting the curious wherever exhibited. In formation it strikingly resembles the anatomy of a female human in the upper part of its anatomy. From the waist downward the extremity is that of an ordinary fish, showing the scales, dorsal and caudal fins. It was captured alive in the Gulf of California by native fishermen, and is now attracting crowds of visitors to 59 Yates street, where it is being exhibited.

A small sloop which arrived down from Nanaimo recently is now tied up at the customs wharf under seizure for several reasons, for the owner has broken the law in many different ways. He is an American subject, although he tried to pass himself off as a Britisher, and has a half interest in the sloop. One charge is that he has broken the law by not having his name or number painted on her stern or bow, there being no mark of any kind on the sloop. Another charge is that he was one of the men concerned in the looting of the Willapa, in fact he has been recognized as one of the men whom Capt. Geo. Roberts, formerly the captain and one of the owners of the Willapa, has sworn out an information against, accusing him of looting that vessel when she was lying a wreck on Enterprise reef a few months ago. Beyond hearing the statement of the man, who admits that he was one of the men charged with looting the Willapa, nothing has been done so far in the case, but Collector Milne will investigate the case on Monday next. The master of the sloop has also broken the law by not taking out a license.

The Puget Sound Tugboat Company are preparing to send one or more of their boats to Dyea and Skagway with a number of staunch barges in tow. These barges are to be used as transfer boats at these places, there being no landing facilities for the steamers. It is thought the barges will facilitate the discharge of supplies at these places, having more carrying capacity and being safer than the small boats.

The City of Topeka is due from Dyea on Monday.

Working women in many German factories are forbidden to wear a corset during working hours.

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IN MARINE CIRCLES

Walla Walla Brings a Large Crowd of Passengers—The Puebla Sails To-Night.

A Labor Saving Device for Unloading Vessels—The Willapa Ready.

Maudie Back From the Coast—A Customs Seizure—Bristol Will Have a Big Load.

Travel between this port and San Francisco is increasing with the arrival of each steamer from that port. The steamer Walla Walla, which arrived from the Bay City at 2 o'clock this morning, brought up a very large complement of passengers, 379 in all. A great many of them were excursionists, tourists and returning Christian Endeavorers, who, after touring the state of California, are now here to "do" British Columbia and the Sound. Crowds of these excursionists have been driving about the city all day, as besides the contingent that came up by the Walla Walla about a hundred came over from the Sound this morning by the steamer Kingston. Then again there are among the passengers many who, being afflicted with the gold fever, are now on their way to far-off Clondyke to woo the fabled goddess, Fortune. The greater number of these left the Walla Walla at Port Townsend to make connections at that port with the Alaskan steamer Queen, which sails for the north to-day. A large number also embarked on the Sound steamer this morning, leaving slightly over one hundred passengers for this city. She had also a large cargo of freight, consisting mostly of general merchandise. About 100 tons was consigned to Victoria merchants. The steamer Puebla will sail from the outer wharf at 8 o'clock this evening for San Francisco. She will carry an average number of passengers and a comparatively large freight. The passengers who will sail from this city on the City of Puebla are as follows: Mrs. A. Reicher, Miss M. Kelleher, A. Clark, E. J. Howland, A. E. Battell, L. and Mrs. Onellette, Mrs. J. C. Spencer and child, Mrs. L. Brown, Mrs. W. H. Hackett, Mrs. P. Berry, Mrs. G. E. Tafford, O. Promis, A. S. Ferguson, J. W. Laing, Mrs. C. Black, Miss Mary Martin, Mrs. Kent, Mrs. Stanley, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Wills, and C. Schultz.

A Portland dispatch says that Secretary McGuire, of the Portland and Alaska Trading and Transportation Company, has announced that the steamship Bristol, a large ocean steamer of 3,900 tons, would convey the steamer Eugene on her voyage north to the mouth of the Yukon. The Eugene is now on the ways, being strengthened and having protective armor built forward. Mr. F. C. Davidge, of the firm of F. C. Davidge & Co., the charterers of the steamer Bristol, when spoken to on the subject this morning, said that no such arrangement had as yet been made, but his company were open for any such proposition. The Bristol will sail from the outer wharf on Tuesday evening next for Dyea, and judging by the number of tickets already sold and the mob of applicants for information regarding the same, who have been besieging the office of her charterers in the Board of Trade building during the past few days, she will carry a large number of passengers. Space has been reserved for a large quantity of freight and for many horses. The work of fitting her up for the trip is about finished, and she will probably come around to the outer wharf this evening. Among those who will sail on the Bristol from Victoria are the following party which arrived from Minneapolis yesterday evening: G. A. Todd, D. O. Robinson, G. W. Turner, George Crocker and J. M. Herman.

The new freight conveyor recently patented by Messrs. Anderson and McCabe, Tacoma, was again tested on Wednesday last in unloading the Oriental liner Olympia, which was even more gratifying than the previous one. At the first test several irregularities were noted in the working of the device. During the interval between the arrival of the last ship and that of the Olympia, the inventors had rectified the irregularities, with the result that everything works perfectly smooth now. The conveyor unloaded from the hold of the ship to the wharf seventy packages of rice in a little time from four batches of tea in a minute, which is considered marvellous by experts. These packages were taken out of the hold so rapidly that the wharf was completely blocked for quite a distance about the conveyor. In fact, the big gang of longshoremen could not begin to take the packages away fast enough.

The excursion steamer Queen will sail from the outer wharf this evening for Sitka on her usual excursion trip, and owing to the rush now going on to Dyea of miners who are going into the gold regions by the overland route, she will call at that port. Her first-class accommodation is all taken up by excursionists who are not attracted north-

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ward by the dreams of avarice, but by the beautiful scenery. A party of New Yorkers who have been touring the coast will embark here. In the second-class compartments all the space has also been taken up and extra accommodation has been built. Travelling in this compartment is a large army of miners, who are going to join the waiting throng at Dyea. Those who will embark here for the Clondyke are: George Leith, T. Clare, Chas. Clare, D. Lee, H. James, W. Stubben, J. Peat, W. Cruikshank and the contingent of Mounted Police, who go to enforce the laws in the land of gold. The policemen are as follows: Supt. J. McIlroy, Staff Sergeant Service, Sergeant Richards and Troopers Allmark, Coates, Dunn, Swatley and Blee. Captain Carroll on this trip will be accompanied by Captain Hunter, of the Steamer Umatilla, who has been appointed to act as pilot, owing to the scarcity of Alaska pilots.

The steamer Maudie arrived early this morning from the West Coast, bringing down a number of returning prospectors and others who have been paying a visit to the coast. She had but little freight, the great portion of her cargo consisting of about 25 casks of dog fish oil from Clayoquot. There were also a number of specimen sacks of ore sent down from different properties for treatment. The largest shipment was that of J. M. Mortimer, who brought down 20 sacks for treatment at the Victoria Metallurgical Works. Capt. Foot reports that although salmon are running thickly at different points of the coast they have as yet not commenced to run in the rivers. The only thing now going on up the coast is mining, which seems to have practically drowned everything else. The coast is overrun with prospectors, and gold strikes are being daily reported in the neighborhood of Clayoquot, which is getting to be a fair sized mining town. They are very busy and all owners of properties in this vicinity are sanguine that they will soon be rich men. The following passengers came down on the Maudie: A. E. Leonard; J. Moir, expert of the Consolidated Mining Co.; J. Stacey, J. M. Mortimer, other well known mining men; P. H. Howard, a Washington newspaper man; A. F. Barley, Mr. Alexander, Father Van Ness, Mr. Dunkwater and A. S. Going, C.E., and Messrs. Daykin and Morton.

The carpenter have packed their tools and left the Willapa, and the knights of the brush are now putting on their last daubs, so the steamer is about ready for service. She is to begin her work in the service of the C.P.N. Co. on Tuesday next, when she will make her first run to the West Coast, going as far as Quatsino, and calling at the different way ports en route. Captain H. R. Foot, master of the Maudie, is to be in command of her, and as every one who frequents the wharves knows, he is a very capable mariner. It is reported, although not as yet officially announced, that her name is to be changed. The C.P.N. Co., being a patriotic combination, would like to have a reminder of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee on the Coast. Therefore, it is said, that the Willapa will soon be known as the Jubilee. It is not known as yet who will command the Maudie, the arrangements being left until the return of Captain Irving from the north.

The R.M.S. Empress of Japan, Captain Pybus, is due to arrive from Yokohama next Tuesday, and has on board 1,500,000 lbs. of overland cargo, of which 108 tons are silk. Nearly all of the remainder is tea. Besides these there are 100 tons for Victoria and as much for Portland. She has a large saloon passenger list, numbering 85, and 350 Chinese in the steerage, of whom 125 are for British Columbia.

The steamer Miowera leaves here tomorrow for the South Seas. Her freight from here will consist of 180 sewing machines and a lot of flour, onions and salmon. Messrs. McCulloch & Wingate, who have been spending a holiday here, and Miss Dawson, of Chicago, will take passage on the Miowera.

The steamer Leone, left last evening for the Sound with the bark's Richmond Light and Sydenham, which are chartered to load lumber.

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British Columbia.

ROSSLAND.

A new seven-drill compressor, hoist and 80 horse-power boiler were ordered yesterday for the Sunset No. 2.

It was reported from what seemed to be a trustworthy source yesterday, that the California had been sold in Quebec. The property was purchased in the spring of 1896 by Rufus H. Pope, M.P., and others, and a company organized with \$3,000,000 capital. A limited amount of work was done when there was a shut down, and the shut down has continued ever since, much to the surprise of Mr. Pope's friends. It will be agreeable to know that the property has passed into good hands. The purchase price is said to be \$50,000, the same figure paid by Mr. Pope when he bought the property.

Things are wearing a rosy hue at the Iron Mask mine. Pay ore has been struck in both the east and west drifts being run from the Centre Star gulch. It is only 200 feet from this shaft to the west end line of the Iron Mask, and the west end line of the Virginia and the deep Centre Star gulch runs across this 200 feet, the bottom of the gulch being little above the level of the east drift being run out from the Iron Mask shaft. Consequently this drift will be extended simply far enough to demonstrate the permanency of the ore body, when the shaft will be continued to a greater depth of another 100 feet, when a new east drift will be started.

Rossland is to have increased school accommodation at once. The following telegram was received yesterday and explains the government action in response to a letter written some days ago by C. O. Lalonde, in which he urged the necessity of providing more room for the school children:

Victoria, Aug. 4.

C. A. Lalonde, Chairman School Board, Rossland:

Pending construction of school building, rent a suitable room. Two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) have been granted for furnishing the room. If necessary, appoint a fifth assistant.

STEVESTON.

Steveston, Aug. 5.—Last evening two men named McQuillan and Williams were arrested by the constables here. Both had for some time been objects of suspicion, and yesterday Constables Wylie and Sullivan proceeded to arrest McQuillan as being wanted elsewhere. Immediately McQuillan made to draw a revolver, which was afterwards found to be a six-shooter fully loaded, but Wylie was too sharp for him and in a moment he was on his back and overpowered. Information of his arrest was at once made to Vancouver and a constable came out from there, who took McQuillan in charge. The other man was then located and run in, and he also proved to be a "wanted" man. Both were at once sent on to Vancouver jail, and evidently Steveston is well rid of them.

This small small court day at the court here, and a variety of cases were dealt with. One feature of this court is the readiness of some men to have the court decide the differences that seem continually to arise between the partners in boats, differences that could certainly, at less expense be settled between themselves. In one case there was a civil suit and after it was disposed of there came an information for a charge of assault.

The inevitable drunk and incapable is always in evidence, and has his due duly meted out to him after a night's repose.

The minds of our leading citizens are now fully bent towards incorporation of Steveston as a city. It is found that by the speedy incorporation of towns set a petition may go in before the end of this month. A petition is now being signed, and the Richmond council will be asked on Saturday to consult with the citizens' representatives as to the feasibility of the municipal liability and other matters. It is expected that all will go smoothly in this and that the year is cut matters will be ripe for the election of the first council at the usual election time. The advantages that will flow from city incorporation are many, and certainly none of the coast cities started life on a better footing or with better prospects. It is true it is meantime regarded as only fishing quarters, and that idea has been allowed to prevail too long, owing to practical civic neglect. The avenues of communication along the dykehead for example are in poor shape. Of drainage there is practically none, nor is any attention given to the ditches. There is no night-lighting either, and the question of a water supply needs to be handled by a strong representative corporation. It is believed that a civic corporation might also do something to secure better arrangements for disposal of offal from the local canneries and to preserve the purity of the foreshores. In any event the corporation as a board of health would have to see that good sanitary arrangements prevailed. We have not got well over the idea that the place is a swamp, and every man who knows about agriculture will readily testify that no city could wish for a better quality of land in its environment than is to be found right here. Every acre of it can easily be made very productive and the city can rely on agricultural produce of all different kinds and in abundance from areas close at hand.

Our fishing is now a fortnight days' wonder. The abundance is still as great as ever, and unfortunately so is the waste of good human food. The river may be said to be strewn with dead fish, for which we have no market. The canneries are doing their utmost, but the supply from the traps is large, of good quality, and at a very small price, and hence nearly all have a share of them. Our own fishermen are catching about double the number that can be taken from them. Some are salting and trying in that way to rescue from waste, but there is nothing of this on a really comprehensive scale.

The extraordinary thing is that in the circumstances such a large body of our fishermen were keen to break the law of close time last Sabbath evening. As early as 5:20 some of the nets were in the water and the fisheries guardian was taking notes. The result is the guar-

dian's re-appearance with a big bundle of summonses, and Saturday is likely to be a busy day for Capt. Pittendrig. If the licenses of the boats and the nets all pass from some of the fishermen's hands the fishermen will have only themselves to blame.

KAMLOOPS.

Mr. James Russell has a dollar button of gold extracted from one pound of black sand that had passed over the quicksilver at Tranquille. Black sand at \$2,000 a ton is good enough without going to the Clondike.

Ground was broken last Friday morning for the new jail, and already a large amount of dirt has been excavated. Accommodation in the form of sheds has also been provided for the men at work.

A pleasant reception was held at the Methodist parsonage on Monday evening, when the Rev. John Robinson was presented with a handsome gold watch and an address.

Johnny Ducks, the Indian who shot young Logan near Bridge creek about two weeks ago, was caught by Constable Mitchell and his party and lodged in jail. His preliminary trial, which began on Friday, 23rd ult., was postponed until the 30th in order to secure evidence from Messrs. Wm. Ford, R. Brown, Wm. Allen, M. W. Houston and Constable Mitchell. The evidence secured led to the remaining of the accused, but not sufficient to warrant a conviction.

The accused, in his statement, acknowledged the crime, and told a long story about being drunk at the time the shot was fired. He was, however, sent up for trial, and will be taken to the Kamloops jail, there to remain until the fall session, to be held at Clinton on the 23rd of September. Johnny belongs to the tribe living around Camlin lake, and appears to be perfectly unconcerned regarding the whole affair. He owns up to receiving the liquor from some other Indian, whom Constable Mitchell is seeking, but no arrest has yet been effected.

VERNON.

Work on the tunnel on the Denay claim, which was stopped last week, has been resumed. The tunnel is now in about forty feet, and it is the intention of the owners to run about 120 further, when they expect to reach the main ledge.

We were shown yesterday some very fine specimens of ore brought in by E. J. Wilson from a claim called the Clondike, which he has recently located near White Man's creek on Okanagan lake. The ore is heavily impregnated with copper, and very closely resembles some of the products of Rossland mines.

The committee appointed at the meeting of the directors of the agricultural society to engage a secretary for that organization have secured the services of Mr. Robert Bell, Jr., and he will devote the time intervening until the exhibition in giving his whole attention to the affairs of the society.

After sinking a shaft about 45 feet in the Blue Jay, Mr. A. H. Craven was compelled some time ago to discontinue work owing to the water coming in so rapidly as to compel him to shut down. He has now let a contract to Mr. F. W. Latimer, from whom the mine was bonded, to run in a tunnel about 100 feet which will strike the ledge at the depth of 100 feet. Mr. Latimer has started work and will run a day and a night shift until the work is completed. He expects that it will take about three weeks to finish the tunnel.

REVELSTOKE.

Options have been granted to E. Gran-Govan on the Burlington by Ole Sandberg, \$9,500; on the Truro by T. E. Marshall, \$4,750; and on the Nelson and Revelstoke by J. D. Graham and Louise Graham for \$9,500 to be paid by October 24th. There is a proviso in the agreements that any of the claims can be purchased before that date for \$5,000.

G. Goldsmith and Angus McKinnon have made a big strike on the northwest side of Lexington creek. The ledge is well defined and shows 16 inches of clear galena, carrying copper and gold. The claim adjoins the Bluebird and Robinson-Fish creek.

A pack train consisting of 21 mules and horses belonging to the French Creek Co. pulled out for Big Bend on Tuesday morning.

Yesterday about noon as some men were returning home to dinner they noticed a clothes box, which had evidently been washed down the river, floating in the water near the bank opposite the Presbyterian church. On examining the box it was found to contain a varied assortment of ladies' and gentlemen's garments, some bills, an account book, etc., etc. But owing to the suggestion being made that the clothes might have belonged to parties who had been suffering with diphtheria, investigations were pursued no further, so they left everything on the bank for further inquiry. It is stated that another box was seen by a traveller on the other side of the river yesterday. It looks as if something out of the way had happened up the river.

NELSON.

Nelson, Aug. 5.—The blast furnace which blew in here last Saturday is a monument to the engineering ability of the constructor, Superintendent Paul Johnson, and has met, if not exceeded, all expectations. It is known and classed as a 200-ton furnace, but a twenty-four hour run ending last evening gave the following results: Ore, 215 tons; lime rock, 23 tons; refining slags, 25 tons; black slags, 16 tons; coke, 51 tons, total, 310 tons.

This run produced twenty-two tons of matte, carrying about 320 ounces of silver per ton and 48 per cent. copper. One feature of the new furnace is that there is a saving of over 10 per cent. of the fuel, as against the old furnace, which in itself is a considerable item. During its construction this furnace has been the subject of much speculation to all who have seen it, and Superintendent Johnson has in every detail confirmed his judgment and is the subject of general congratulation. There is a sufficient quantity of ore on hand for a long run, and in addition to the 20 tons daily output from the mines a large amount of custom ore is being received.

During the progress of assessment work on the Westside claim on Morning mountain, a seven-foot lead was opened, which appears to be very rich in

peacock copper and free gold. It is said to be one of the strongest ledges in the mountain, and considerable money is to be spent in development work.

FERGUSON.

Ferguson, Aug. 1.—The town has been excited the last day or two over the discovery of a rich lead up the North Fork, a little past Horse ledge, 9 miles from Ferguson. The properties were located by Jack Cummings and others, of Sandon, and were named the Blue Silver and Copper Queen. The assay returns give \$302 in gold and 171 ounces in silver.

Another discovery of beautiful grey copper, which assays high, has been made on a Pass creek, nine miles from Ferguson, by Messrs. Conright, Dancer and others. There are five claims staked on the lead, which is sixteen inches wide.

THOMSON'S LANDING.

Revelstoke Herald.

Thomson's Landing, July 29.—George Goldsmith and Angus McKinnon, while prospecting about nine miles up Fish creek, discovered a strong lead twelve feet wide, carrying three feet of fine looking carbonates and grey copper. Samples are to be sent away for assay. From the appearance of the ore this is considered to be one of the best strikes ever made on Fish creek.

Ed. Ferguson made a big strike this week. While prospecting on Lexington creek he made two locations on a big lead, with over three feet of fine looking ore. He has had no assay yet, but from appearances we expect it to run high.

A gang of men are doing development work on the Silver Bow group, which belongs to Poole and Kincaid. They struck a large body of solid, fine looking ore. They report the whole surface of the tunnel sparkling like diamonds. As this ore assays very high, Fish creek bids fair to eclipse Trout Lake before winter.

George Whittson, who resides at Gumbut ranch, wasn't afraid of bears. Oh, no! he would as soon meet a bear as a sheep, but he thinks differently now. The other day while he and John Ferris were prospecting on the mountain, one mile south of Thomson's, they stirred up three angry bears. The largest one promptly took after Whittson, who tried to climb a tree, but before he could get up high enough the bear hit him with his foot and knocked him out of the tree head long down the hill. Before the bear could catch him he managed to get up another tree and warn his partner. The other two bears sat and watched the big one trying to catch George, but after three-quarters of an hour they left. Bears seem to be plentiful and vicious in the hills south of Thomson's. A silver tip the other day attacked Harry Pelham about half a mile from the Landing. Harry set off at full speed for town, and came in badly wounded. Harry doesn't know how badly he beat the bear, but is sure he made the best time ever made at the Landing.

VANCOUVER.

Vancouver, Aug. 6.—Word has been received of the suicide of George Edwards on his ranch in Pemberton Meadows. Edwards was evidently insane, and had about a year ago been confined in the asylum.

Prof. Prince, commissioner of fisheries, yesterday morning met several gentlemen at the Leland Hotel, who are interested in the halibut fisheries. Those present were: Rev. G. R. Maxwell, M.P., and Messrs. C. C. Eldridge, Capt. Logan, Capt. McLeod, S. J. Brown, W. McCranny and Wm. Lipscomb. It was pointed out that a large benefit accrued to Vancouver from the halibut fishing industry, which had been carried on by the New England Fish Company. They wished to be allowed to land fish here from American boats. The company, it was mentioned, employed about 100 bona fide fishermen, bought their supplies here, sent their fish over the C. P. R., and during last season employed Canadian vessels. The company every year disburtsed \$130,000 here, of which \$50,000 was for supplies and steamer charters. Prof. Prince in reply said the department had received petitions asking that the halibut fisheries be protected from United States fishermen. However, he did not feel that he could take special restrictive measures, and would not place anything in the way of meeting the company's wishes. The matter of the intended use by the company of United States vessels would require careful consideration.

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L. A. Campbell Breaks the Century Record—The Tennis Finals To-Day.

Philadelphia, Aug. 6.—A more beautiful day could not have been asked for than that which formally inaugurated the bicycle meet of the League of American Wheelmen here to-day.

Early morning runs were taken by many of the visiting wheelmen. As far as the eye could reach on Broad street there was almost a solid mass of bicyclists.

Notwithstanding that there were thousands pushing their way to Willow Grove on wheels, the street cars and the railroads were taxed to their utmost.

At Willow Grove flags fluttered from hundreds of staffs, and L. A. W. purple predominated everywhere.

The racing cracks were awake early this morning and having a good rubbing down, took preliminary spins on the track preliminary to heats which were to be called at 9 o'clock.

The wheelmen themselves immensely pleased with the three-lap board track, which was built especially for this meet.

First three men will qualify in the two mile handicap, professional, and two mile handicap, amateur, and in all other races, first two, with the exception of the three-quarter mile championship, professional, in which only the winner of each heat will enter for the finals.

The first event was a two-mile handicap for professionals. This was in six heats, and in all there were about 80 entries, the first three to qualify.

In the first heat, F. J. Longhead, of Sarina, Ont., scratch, won; W. E. Becker, Minneapolis, 50 yards, second; E. J. Titus, New York, 50 yards, third; time, 4:46 1-5.

W. C. Sanger was the scratch man in the second heat of the two-mile race, with Arthur Lee, 50 yards, and H. R. Steenson, Dayton, O., 25 yards, A. E. Wing, 110 yards, won; W. C. Sanger, second; C. H. Newton, 60 yards, third; time, 5:03 5-5.

Tom Cooper had the tape in the third heat, and the nearest men were J. A. Newhouse, 25 yards, and Dock Brown, 50 yards, Cooper, scratch, won; Fred Sims, Washington, 100 yards, second; Newhouse, Buffalo, 25 yards, third; time, 5:06 2-5.

Arthur Gardner, of Chicago, was scratch man in the fourth heat, with Starbuck, second, at 40 yards, Gardner won; L. A. Callahan, 50 yards, second; Barney Oldfield, 110 yards, third; time, 4:41 2-5.

W. C. Ball, scratch, was excused in the fifth heat. Sam Brock and Jay Eton were on the 35-yard mark, with Frank Butler at 50 yards. Butler crossed the line an easy winner; F. C. Hoyt, 50 yards, second; Will Corwin, 75 yards, third; time, 4:40 3-5.

Johnny Johnson was unable to start in the sixth heat of the two mile professional handicap, and F. A. McFarland was another scratch man, with James A. Church on the 40-yard line, Charles A. Church won; C. S. Wells, 90 yards, second; O. L. Stevens, 70 yards, third; time, 4:42.

The next event was the one-third mile open, amateur, in 10 heats, first two to qualify.

The third event was a quarter-mile championship professional run in five heats, winners only to qualify. The first heat was won by Tom Cooper, 32 2-5 seconds; second heat, Longhead, 31 2-5; third heat, Ball, 34; fourth heat, Gardner, 31 1-5; fifth heat, Renball, 34 1-5.

CANADA'S ALL RIGHT.
Bicycle Track, Willow Grove, Pa., Aug. 7.—The chief topic of conversation among racing men this morning was the remarkable riding of the Canadian, F. J. Longhead, the Sarina, Ont., crack. This great rider started in three events, a total of six heats, winning five out of six, including two finals, and finishing a close second to McFarland in the final heat in the two-mile handicap.

CENTURY RECORD.
L. A. Campbell, of Esquimaux, to-day broke the century record for Western Canada by 34 minutes, riding 100 miles over macadam roads in 8 hours 25 minutes. The previous record was held by H. Peterew and Charles Bush, of this city, who completed the distance in 8:59 some months ago.

In today's test of endurance there were three starters, L. A. Campbell, the new champion, on a Century; Thos. Johnston on a Stearns, and A. J. Dablin on a Starling. The route was twice around the Saanich peninsula, around Oak Bay Road and Beacon Hill and finishing at the Oak Bay Hotel. A start was made at 4:56 this

morning and the first round of the Saanich peninsula was completed in very quick time, the riders reaching the city hall in the following order: Campbell at 7:10; Johnston at 7:10 and Dablin at 7:20. They all took a good rest, Campbell resting for 50 minutes, starting on his second round at 8 sharp. The second round he completed at 11:15, he having thus covered 86.15 miles—it being 43 1-10 miles around the peninsula—in 6 hours and 21 minutes. He continued on his journey around Oak Bay and the Hill and finished at the Bay at 12:31, breaking the record as above stated. Johnston contested himself with riding the century within ten hours, but in two weeks' time will go out, paced, to beat Campbell's record. Dablin had a fall five miles from home and could not finish.

LAWN TENNIS. THE LAST DAY.

The tennis players forenoon their courts yesterday evening and substituted evening dress for their flannels. They held a ball at the Mount Baker Hotel, which was very largely attended. Notwithstanding the warmth of the evening the ball was very enjoyable, for the programme was not too long and the verandah made a very enjoyable sitting-out place between the dances. The supper was served in one of the large rooms downstairs, and Mr. Virtue endeavored to excel all his previous efforts as a caterer in this connection.

The music for the dancing was supplied by the 5th Regiment orchestra. The play yesterday afternoon after 4 o'clock resulted as follows:

Mixed Doubles.
Harvey and Miss M. Prior defeated Pooley and Miss Keefe, 6-2, 6-3.

Johnston and Miss Prior defeated Campbell and Miss Twigg, 6-4, 2-6, 7-5.

Gentlemen's Singles.
Foulkes beat Cuppage, 6-1. Cuppage retired.

Ladies' Singles.
Miss Macrae defeated Miss Wallis, 6-2, 6-0.

Miss Goward defeated Miss Freer, 3-6, 6-4, 4-1.

Men's Doubles—Finals.
Hurd and Wright beat Combe and Goward, 6-1, 6-4, 3-6, 6-4.

Ladies' Doubles—Finals.
Miss Twigg and Miss Roberts beat the Misses Macrae, 5-6, 6-4, 6-4.

There was a large attendance at the courts this afternoon, the Imperious hand being present. There was much interest manifested in the finals, particularly that between Foulkes and Hurd for the championship, which commenced about 4 o'clock. This morning Hurd beat Combe 6-2, 6-1, leaving him and Foulkes to battle for the championship.

In the ladies' singles Miss M. Macrae beat Mrs. Feather 6-2, 6-5, and this afternoon she was playing the present lady champion, Miss Goward. The latter won the first set, 6-1. The final in the mixed doubles was won by Mr. Foulkes and Miss Freer, who defeated G. C. Johnston and Miss N. Prior, 6-1, 6-3.

THE TROOP A GREAT VICTORY.

Columbus, Ohio, Aug. 7.—The greatest interest was manifested in the free-for-all pace here yesterday. There were four starters, Joe Patchen, Star Pointer, Lottie Lorraine and Badger. Every horseman thought that Pointer would win in a walk. But the much-lauded conqueror of John R. Gentry and Joe Patchen was vanquished by the great son of Patchen and Wilkes in one of the most exciting races ever witnessed. Patchen not only won the race on its merits, but paced the fastest mile ever made on the grand circuit, equalling the world's record of 2:01 1-2 made by John R. Gentry at Glens Falls.

CRICKET. NANAIMO VS. R.M.A.

The Nanaimo Cricket Club met the R.M.A.C.C. yesterday afternoon at the Barracks grounds, and after a close game the match resulted in a draw in favor of the cricketers from the coal city. Nanaimo went to the wicket first and when eight wickets had gone down they had piled up 217 runs. The captain decided to close the innings on this score, and the R.M.A. then went to the bat. When time was called eight of their wickets were down for 114 runs.

HOT IN ENGLAND.

London Sweltering—Crops Suffering for Want of Rain.

London, Aug. 7.—The long spell of hot weather was broken by severe thunderstorms on Thursday and Friday, in which several persons were killed and a number of buildings damaged and crops sustained serious injury.

The thermometer registered 90 on Wednesday in London, and at Cambridge the heat was 18 degrees above the average, which has only three been reached during the last quarter of a century. There were over 200 prostrations from heat treated at six London hospitals on Thursday. There was a third of an inch of rain in July. The crops are seriously threatened, and the experience of the 1896 water famine in the East and of London are already looming up. The heat, which has been unusually prolonged, has affected the London death rate. There were 2,023 deaths last week, of whom 1,205 were children, bringing up the death rate to 23.6 per thousand. There were many sunstrokes and general discomfort was experienced.

EPIDEMIC OF SUICIDES.

Great Increase in the Number of Cases of Self-Destruction in Paris.

Paris, Aug. 7.—There has been a veritable epidemic of suicides in Paris for some weeks past, the recent tropical heat adding to the number of cases. The tragedies commenced with the self-destruction on July 7 last of four young dressmakers in the Poissouerie Quarter at Pays, who suffocated themselves in a small room with the fumes of a charcoal stove. Since then, almost daily, one or more women have committed suicide, and self-murder among men is equally numerous. The bodies of men are found daily hanging to trees in the Bois de Vincennes. In one alley in that part alone six bodies of suicides were found during the past week, and the morgue is full of dead bodies found in the river Seine, and there is no further room for more.

THE LEPER STATION

Ald. McCandless to Move the Dominion Government to Maintain It.

He Gives Some of the Reasons Why They Should Take It Over.

Ald. McCandless is determined to bring to a head the question of government maintenance of the Darcy Island leper station, and with that end in view has given notice of the following motion, which he will move on Monday evening: Whereas subsequent to the establishment of the Darcy Island leper station the Dominion government appropriated the sum of \$1,000 annually towards the maintenance of this institution until the 30th day of June, 1894.

And whereas after repeated and urgent applications to the government requesting that the said grant be continued a definite reply has been received from the department of agriculture by the city of Victoria, dated the 22nd of July, 1897, informing the council "that the minister has decided that he cannot see his way clear to make any grant."

And whereas by the refusal on the part of the government to renew the grant the entire cost of maintenance of the station is thrown upon the cities of Nanaimo, Vancouver and Victoria.

And whereas the entire cost of the maintenance of the leper station at Tragelie, N. S., is borne by the Dominion government.

And whereas the disease of leprosy has so far as British Columbia is concerned been confined exclusively to the Chinese immigrants, upon which class of immigrants the Dominion government levies a head tax of \$50, the proceeds of which tax go into the Dominion treasury:

And whereas in the estimates for 1896-97, provision is made by the government for the continuance of said grant:

Therefore, be it resolved:

(1) That this council see no just reason why the before mentioned grant should be discontinued.

(2) That they can and do see that a grave and palpable injustice is inflicted on the said cities by the refusal of the government to continue the grant.

(3) That in the opinion of this council the large amount of revenue received annually by the Dominion government from the tax upon Chinese immigrants ought to be sufficient in itself to guarantee and determine that the relatively small sum of \$1,000 be devoted annually for the purpose of maintaining a Chinese leper station.

(4) That the obligation of the Dominion government to support the institution, if not to maintain it entirely, is demonstrated by all the facts of the case and has been practically admitted by the government itself by the consecutive payments by it annually of \$1,000 prior to the 30th of June, 1894, in aid of the institution.

(5) That this council, feeling certain that the department has not given the subject the consideration to which it is entitled, requests respectfully that the whole matter may be reconsidered by the department once more in the hope that the manifest justice of the application of the cities aforesaid combined upon this matter may impress itself upon the department and induce consent to a renewal of the annual grant in aid of the leper station at Darcy Island.

And that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the municipal councils of Vancouver and Nanaimo for concurrent action in regard to this matter.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

James Bay Methodist Church—Pastor, Rev. Geo. F. Swinerton. Service at 11 a.m., Rev. J. C. Speer; 7 p.m., Rev. G. F. Swinerton.

At the Reformed Episcopal church Bishop Cridge will preach in the morning on "Contentment." Dr. Wilson in the evening on "The Narrow Road."

Metropolitan Methodist church—The morning service to-morrow will be conducted by Rev. G. F. Swinerton, B.A., and in the evening Rev. J. C. Speer, the pastor, will occupy the pulpit.

Centennial Church, Gorge road—J. F. Betts, pastor. 11 a.m., Rev. W. H. Easton, B.A., principal of C. M. College, New Westminster, will preach, 7 p.m., service will be conducted by the pastor, Sunday school and Bible class at 2:30 p.m.

Sunday meetings at the Y.M.C.A.—Bible study at 9 o'clock. Gospel service at 4 p.m. Mr. H. Roper, the late secretary, will address the meeting. These are public meetings and open to all.

Emmanuel Baptist Church—O. E. Kendall, pastor. Services: 11 a.m.; subject, "Faith," 7 p.m., "Conflict With God." Sunday school, 2:30 p.m.; young people, 6:30 p.m.; Monday evening, B.Y.P.U.

In First Presbyterian church Rev. Dr. Campbell will occupy the pulpit in the morning, and the Rev. Dr. Forrest, of Portland, in the evening. Morning address to be a continuation of last Sunday morning's lecture.

Threnophonic Society, 28 Broad street, Williams building—Public lecture at 8:15 p.m.; subject, "An Optimistic Philosophy."

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BIRTH.

COCHRANE—in this city on the 6th inst., to the wife of John Cochrane, a daughter.

DIED.

COWLING—At 108 View street, on Friday, August 6th, William Cowling, a native of Tavistock, Devonshire, England, in the 63rd year of his age.

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